

VICTORIA SHIPS 140,000 BOXES ORANGES EAST

Big Christmas Fruit Shipment
For Canada Handled
Rapidly Here

Oriental Liners Make This
City Ocean Terminal Port
Instead of Mainland

Over 140,000 boxes of Japanese oranges for Canada's Christmas parties arrived on the American Mail liner President Madison late last night and were unloaded at Victoria to-day.

Gangs of between 100 and 200 longshoremen worked all through the night until noon to-day, taking off the Canadian cargo, which totaled over 2,000 tons, including the 1,600 tons of oranges.

In the handling of this heavy Canadian cargo, Victoria, as has been the case with recent big shipments coming into Canada from the Orient, handled the trade.

The fact that Victoria's shipping facilities are now used, shipping officials explained, means that the Canadian cargoes are handled much more rapidly than if the American vessel, which does not go to Vancouver, had to handle this Canadian cargo through Seattle in bond.

During the night a C.P.R. freight train of twelve cars was loaded with oranges direct from the hold of the President Madison. This was done by running the cars on a transfer barge. This train arrived on the Mainland to-day and will speed east with its refrigerator fruit cargo for Eastern Canadian cities.

To handle the other fifty-eight carloads of oranges going to the Mainland from here, the C.P.R. brought into service the Motor Princess, which was able to take nineteen carloads, and the Chamher, which left early with eleven carloads. These boats are making double trips.

At noon the C.P.R. steamer Princess Adelaide went to the outer wharves and began to load general cargo which is also going east and is being handled through Victoria as the ocean terminal port instead of the mainland.

Unruly Crew Controls Ship

Wilmington, N.C., Dec. 14.—The schooner "Charles A. Dean," loaded with citrus fruit from Baltimore for Savannah, is ashore on Fryingpan Shoals with her officers reported threatened by a mutinous crew.

A message from a United States coastguard station said the captain had refused to permit the guardsmen to board the vessel because of the mutiny and that the coast-guardmen had returned to their station for arms with which to force their way on board the ship.

Four tugs from Wilmington and Southport have started for the vessel.

CAMBRIDGE RUGBYISTS DEFEAT OXFORD MEN

London, Dec. 14 (Canadian Press Cable).—For the second year in succession, Cambridge University this afternoon inflicted an overwhelming defeat on Oxford University in a Rugby Union game at Twickenham when the light blues won 30 to 5. To-day's victory marked the fifteenth victory by Cambridge since the series started in 1873. A large crowd, despite the dull weather, witnessed the game. Oxford have won twenty-two games and nine have been drawn.

FORMER M.P. TO BE EDMONTON MAYOR

A. U. G. Bury Leads as Ballots
Counted on Proportional
Representation Plan

Edmonton, Dec. 14.—Bitterly cold weather kept many voters at home yesterday and final totals were polled in Edmonton's annual municipal election, which is conducted under the proportional representation plan.

A. U. G. Bury, former M.P. for Edmonton East, is leading his nearest opponent, D. K. Knott, Labor, for mayor by a margin of 1,872, and seems reasonably sure of attaining the necessary quota of 6,347. There were six candidates for mayor.

One alderman, G. H. Labor, was elected on the first count, with five vacancies waiting to be filled, while Barnes Labor, was also elected on the first count for public school trustees. There are two more vacancies.

The returning officer started his second count late afternoon.

REGINA ELECTION

Regina, Dec. 14.—Lieut.-Colonel James McAra was elected mayor of Regina over Alderman W. H. Hill in the civic election yesterday, with a majority of ninety-seven. Thirty per cent of the total vote was cast.

M. J. Coldwell, a former alderman, and president of the Canadian Teachers' Alliance, headed the poll in the aldermanic contest. Alderman J. Cookley and R. N. Kelly were re-elected and the two new aldermen are Ira Bowman and H. E. Drope.

A bylaw to establish daylight saving time was defeated by 493, and an extension to the general hospital was endorsed. Purchase of a college site was defeated.

Big Forest Fires on Black Sea Coast

Novorossiysk, Russia, Dec. 14.—The Soviet government at Sochi, Georgia, has issued a decree calling out the entire population to fight huge forest fires which are raging along the Black Sea coast in the Sochi region.

MOUNT VESUVIUS ERUPTION PREDICTED

Naples, Dec. 14.—Another serious eruption of Mount Vesuvius is predicted in consequence of recent heavy rains. Tons of water have gathered in the crater within the last few days.

LEADER OF PACIFIC TRADE COUNCIL ARRIVED HERE TO-DAY

William Pigott, With Seattle Delegates, Will Discuss
Plans for Great Convention to Be Held in Victoria
Next Year; Entry of Canadian City Is Hailed as
Great Step in International Friendship

Hailed as a great step towards international friendship and co-operation between English-speaking nations, the convention of the Pacific Foreign Trade Council to be held in Victoria next September is attracting considerable attention in Canada and the United States.

William Pigott, president of the council, arrived in Victoria this afternoon, and will be the chief speaker at a membership meeting of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce to be held in the auditorium, commencing at 12.15 to-morrow. Mr. Pigott is accompanied by E. P. Kemmer, secretary of the council, and Miss Goode, manager of the Foreign Trade Department of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce.

Before the meeting the executive planning for the big convention which is to be held here will meet Mr. Pigott and the Seattle party at 10 o'clock in the morning. The executive, which has lately been added to, consists of C. P. W. Schwenger, Mayor J. C. Pendray, R. C. Nicholas, A. E. Todd, R. W. Mayhew, R. H. Ker, Capt. J. W. Troup, and R. B. Fowler. Further additions will probably be made to the number as the task of arranging a conference which will bring together representatives of some of the greatest business and commercial houses on the Pacific Coast, besides others outstanding in industry from many parts of the United States and Canada.

Members of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, were cordially received when visiting Seattle in connection with the convention, and enthusiasm was shown when the council was expanded to include a Canadian city in its commercial activities.

Heretofore the Coast trade group which constitutes the Western Division of the National Foreign Trade Council, has included only six states in the United States. Under the new scheme British Columbia, and other Canadian provinces will share their strength with the Coast in meeting problems of mutual shipping and commercial interest.

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LIBERALS FROM ALL OVER B.C. TO MEET HERE WEDNESDAY

Government to Advise Liberal
Executive on Party Organi-
zation Plans

Victoria Meeting to Draw 120
Leading Figures in Pro-
vincial Liberalism

Liberal leaders from every electoral riding of British Columbia will assemble in Victoria to-morrow to take part in the deliberations of the executive of the Provincial Liberal Association.

Close to 120 members will assemble in the Liberal headquarters for this important meeting, according to reports received here to-day from Island and Mainland Liberal Associations.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, M.P.P. for Vancouver, president of the association, will preside when the meeting gets under way at 9 a.m., and continues all day. The proceedings will be private.

Matters of first importance to the Liberal Party in this Province will come before the executive, the discussion centering chiefly around plans for the organization of the party's forces. As indicated by Premier Oliver in a recent speech, the Cabinet has discussed means of organizing the party in the various ridings, and these will be laid before the executive for its consideration.

One of the chief points to be settled to-morrow is the election of a new party organizer to succeed J. G. Turgeon, who has resigned after several years of notable service. The executive may decide to centre the organizer's office in Victoria instead of Vancouver as formerly, so as to keep it in close touch with the Cabinet. Another important office which must be filled is that of secretary, vacated by the resignation of Brenton Brown of Vancouver.

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FORMER VICTORIA MAN DIES IN TACOMA; CHARLES ARMSTRONG

Charles L. Armstrong, formerly one of Victoria's best known citizens, died in Tacoma to-day, according to word received by friends here. He had been ill for some time in a Tacoma hospital prior to his death at the age of forty-two.

Mr. Armstrong was commissioner of the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau for some years after its formation, a position which he accepted after serving as city editor of The Colonist. A newspaperman by profession, he later turned to advertising and it was an important position in a large United States advertising firm which took him from Victoria to Chicago and then to Seattle.

Born in London, Ontario, in 1884, Mr. Armstrong was educated at the Mount Allison University and took special courses in journalism at Harvard. After this training he was associated with leading newspapers in many parts of Canada and the United States.

On coming west he entered the advertising field with the formation of Hutchman Limited here but later returned to newspaper work. On the outbreak of the Great War he enlisted with the 67th Western Scouts, in which he was granted a commission, and it was after his return from overseas that he became Commissioner of the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau.

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GOVERNMENT READY TO MEET MEMBERS HERE THURSDAY

Hearns Reappointed to Super-
vise House Arrangements
as Sergeant-at-Arms

Speech From Throne, Now
Complete, to Forecast Light
Legislative Programme

All is in readiness now for the formal opening of the Provincial Legislature here Thursday—a brief but colorful ceremony which will take about an hour.

Arrangements for the opening are being completed under the direction of Henry Hearns, whose appointment as Sergeant-at-Arms was announced to-day. Mr. Hearns has filled this position for several years to the satisfaction of every member of the House.

The Cabinet met with all ministers in attendance this morning to discuss the work of the session and the speech from the Throne, which is now complete. It is understood this document will shed little light on the probable work of the session as the Government's proposals, in the shape of legislation, will be light.

ATTENDANCE SMALL

When the members get together Thursday many will be missing. Most of the interior members will not come down to the coast for the formal opening but will be on hand when the House gets started in real earnest on January 10.

The House will miss one of its most respected members, the person of A. O. Cochrane, the late member for North Okanagan, who died recently in Vernon. Mr. Cochrane's chair in the Legislative Chamber will be draped in black and his desk decorated with a wreath as a mark of respect for his memory.

BY-ELECTION COMING

A by-election to fill the North Okanagan seat will be held some time next year. Under existing legislation it must take place within six months after the vacancy occurred. Dr. K. C. McDonald, former Provincial Secretary, and for many years representative of the riding in the Legislature, is mentioned as a possible Liberal candidate, while A. T. Howe, defeated Conservative candidate in the 1924 provincial election, may be the Conservative nominee.

Mr. Speaker Buchanan and other members are expected to arrive here to-morrow for the session, but the bulk of the House will not come until Thursday morning.

THIRTY ROYALISTS
IN PARIS ARRESTED

Clashed With Police After
Booing Briand on Return
From Geneva

Paris, Dec. 14.—Shouts of "down with Briand" and "Go to Berlin" greeted the French Premier, Minister on his return here from Geneva where, in conference with the foreign representatives of Britain, Italy, Germany and Japan an agreement was reached to replace the International Military Control Commission in Germany with a commission under the direction of the League of Nations.

The shouts were accompanied by catcalls and whistles. The demonstrators were young French Royalists, numbering, according to their chief, about 1,500. Circles loyal to the Government estimated the crowd at 500.

THIRTY ARRESTED

The Royalists clashed with police near the Gare du Lyon and twenty were arrested.

The reason given for the outbreak was dissatisfaction over the arrangements concluded at Geneva for the control of German armaments, in contrast with the disturbance of the Royalists, the Federation of Railwaymen presented M. Briand with a big wreath tied with tricolor ribbons and inscribed "To the Great Artisan of Peace."

SUIT FOR \$2,300,000
AGAINST PANTAGES

Construction of Theatre in
Denver Cause; Ridiculous,
Says Magnate

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 14.—Suit for \$2,300,000 against Pantages, Los Angeles theatre owner, was filed in the circuit court here yesterday by J. B. Symonds, charging breach of contract.

On the strength of a telegram message from Pantages, Symonds alleges in his petition he began construction of a theatre in Denver which would have been used for vaudeville as a remedy of the Pantages Circuit. On arriving in Los Angeles, the petition asserts, Symonds was refused a franchise by Pantages.

Los Angeles, Dec. 14.—Alexander Pantages, vaudeville impresario, to-day branded the breach of contract suit filed against him in Kansas City by J. B. Symonds as "unbased and ridiculous."

WIND SWEEPING PLAINS AS COLD WAVE CONTINUES

Prairie Region of Canada and Middle Area of United
States in Grip of Winter; Mercury at Saskatoon
Last Night Dropped to Thirty-four Below Zero

MADE PRESIDENT
OF KIWANIS CLUB;
HAROLD M. DIGGON

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—Stretching from the head of the Great Lakes to the Rocky Mountains and to and beyond the Pacific Coast cities, the cold wave which followed a week-end blizzard on the prairies continued to-day.

Throughout the prairies the mercury last night descended to record low levels for this period of the year, ranging from 20 to 34 below zero. The lowest were recorded in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, but Alberta also touched marks ranging from 15 to 20 below. Qu'Appelle, Sask., and The Pas, Man., and Minnedosa, Man., reported 32 below, Regina 30 and Winnipeg 28 below. In Saskatoon it was 34 below.

COLD WIND

A bitter northwest wind is sweeping the prairies to-day and in many sections roads are banked high with snowdrifts making traffic nearly impossible, while railroads are reporting heavy delays to all trains.

Reports from the weather bureau here give little promise of immediate relief this morning's forecast reading:

"Decidedly cold to-day and Wednesday."

THREE LIVES LOST

There have been no reports of loss of life on the prairies beyond the three already reported, but great hardships have been experienced by rural residents, fires taking a toll of farm homes in many isolated sections. The residence of Bishop David Toews at Rosetown, Sask., one of the heads of the Mennonite Church in Western Canada, was destroyed by fire. The occupants of the house were severely injured, and the five-year-old daughter of the bishop, was probably fatally burned.

FAMILY SUFFERED

Another serious fire was reported from Kipling, Sask., where a family was forced out into the severe cold. Many fires also have been reported in Manitoba, but all without casualties.

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SNOWFALL IN
VANCOUVER AREA
NOW PREDICTED

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—British Columbia temperatures, which have been steadily dropping since last week-end, are not expected, in the coast cities at any rate, to fall below this morning's marks. It was 14 above zero in Vancouver at 8 a.m., but the thermometer had risen a few degrees before noon and the official forecast was for "increasing winds, mostly cloudy, with occasional snow."

Signs of moderating temperatures were less apparent in the interior of the Province. It was 45 below zero at Blue River, 40 at Kamloops, and 2 below at Kamloops.

City paving and sidewalk laying operations here are halted by the cold snap.

MISSING WRITER IN
ENGLAND IS FOUND

Mrs. Agatha Clarissa Christie Identified at Harrowgate, Yorkshire

Harrowgate, Eng., Dec. 14.—Agatha Christie, writer of detective novels, who disappeared from her home almost two weeks ago, was found here to-day after a search that extended all over England.

Mrs. Christie, who is the daughter of the late Frederick Miller of New York, was identified by her husband, Colonel Archibald Christie, who came to Harrowgate at the request of the police, who had found Mrs. Christie at a hotel here.

WIDE SEARCH MADE

Mrs. Christie left her home in Surrey December 3 and her automobile was found abandoned on the Surrey Downs on the following Sunday. A wide search, which included the use of aeroplanes and caterpillar tractors, was conducted, every inch of the lonely Surrey Downs being combed by hundreds of men.

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LONGSHOREMAN KILLED

Port Moody, B.C., Dec. 14.—Pinned beneath his automobile when it skidded on the frosty surface of a plank bridge near here and crashed to mud flats below, George Henshaw, thirty-five, sustained injuries this morning which resulted in his death shortly after he had been released. Henshaw, who resided on a home-stand on the north shore of Burrard Inlet and is survived by a widow and family, was on his way to New Westminster, where he had been employed as a longshoreman, at the time of the accident.

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Orphans' Home Annual Meeting

The fifty-fourth Annual Meeting of the B.C. Protestant Orphans' Home will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 1926, at 4 p.m., at the City Hall, Victoria, B.C., for the purpose of considering the annual reports, the election of a Board of Management, and transacting any other business in the interests of the Home.

J. A. SAYWARD, President.
R. HAYWARD, Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Novelty umbrellas with rubberized covers. Carver's Umbrella Shop, 124 Fort Street.

Dr. Gillis, dentist, Campbell Building.
New Winter Schedule to Quito Island. Effective Monday, November 1.—The steamer Otter will leave Belleville Street wharf every Monday and Wednesday at 7.15 a.m. and every Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 8 a.m. for Gulf Island points. Also the Princess Royal from Victoria every Tuesday at 11 a.m., calling at Port Washington, Ganges, and Mayne Island en route to Vancouver.

Traveling to the Old Country? Canadian National Railways represent all trans-Atlantic steamship lines. Courteous and careful attention to all bookings.

Lecture on earthquakes by F. Napier Denison, Esq., Meteorological Observatory, at Hollywood Mission, Four Bay, Tuesday, 8 p.m., December 14 Admission 25 cents. Auspices Five A.C.C.

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M.P.'S WILL FULLY DISCUSS THE EMPIRE CONFERENCE REPORT

At Beginning of Ottawa Debate Premier Briefly Deals With Declarations

Guthrie Makes First Speech as House Leader of Conservatives

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—"In no particular is the hand of any member of the House bound by anything in the report of the Imperial Conference," said Premier King at the opening of the debate on the address, in reply to the speech from the Throne in the House of Commons yesterday. "The Government will recommend the adoption of the report and any member can move an amendment if he wishes. It will receive fullest consideration."

The report was tabled yesterday afternoon. It and the recommendations of the Maritime Rights Commission shared the chief interest of the members.

Mr. King said a day would be set apart for discussion of the report on the Imperial Conference.

OVER AND OVER
Two new members moved and seconded the adoption of the address, L. M. Auger, Liberal, Prescott, Ontario, the youngest member of the House, was the mover, and A. E. McPherson, Liberal, Portage la Prairie, was the seconder.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Conservative House leader, spoke yesterday afternoon, and Premier King addressed the House last evening.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED
In opening his speech, Premier King said it was a source of gratification that so many old members of Parliament had been returned.

He welcomed the new members. Referring to the absence of Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, Mr. King said he was not going to pronounce any valedictory, "as I am not so sure he will not be back again."

Mr. King said he had not yet had sufficient time to give the consideration he wished to give to the Maritime Commission's report, or to have conferences with his colleagues about it to an extent that would enable him to make a pronouncement at the moment as to what the Government's legislation would be as regards the same relationship. His announcement would be made later in the session.

KING'S REPRESENTATIVE
Dealing with the Imperial Conference report, Mr. King read the designation of the Governor-General as having the same relationship to the Government of Canada as the King had to the Government of Great Britain.

"The important thing," he said, "is that the Governor-General as the representative of His Majesty, is as having the same relationship to the British Government or any department of the British Government."

GUTHRIE'S SPEECH
Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Conservative House leader, thanked Mr. King for his speech, and said he was glad to see the representation in Parliament. He was not, however, a supporter of proportional representation.

TRADE MATTERS
Dealing with trade matters, Mr. Guthrie said Canada's favorable trade balance of \$302,000,000 was made up by Canada's trade with Great Britain. Trade with the United States was on a different basis and year by year the country to the South kept draining away Canada's natural resources.

Mr. Guthrie thought that in every treaty-making transaction the King Government had had with another country the Canadian people had suffered. He spoke of the trade figures of the last few years and declared that after treaties were made with France, Italy and Australia, and New Zealand and Canada's exports to these countries had gone down, and the imports from these countries had gone up.

SALES TAX
Business men complained strongly, said Mr. Guthrie, that the sales tax was an injustice. This tax had been increased by the King Government and now was at five per cent, he said. While the amount collected in the last year of the Meighen administration prior to 1921 was \$74,000,000, the total collected for the fiscal year ended March 31 last was the increased sum of \$98,000,000.

Mr. Guthrie believed the best way to handle the situation was to "boldly strike out" the sales tax and the stamp tax and keep the country's expenditures down.

MARITIME PROBLEMS
Mr. Guthrie said the prime minister had said several years ago which to leave what Maritime Rights were, but it was only in the last Parliament that Conservative members from the Maritimes had compelled

the attention of the Government and only then had the Government acted. "I don't know whether the Duncan report meets with the approval of the people of the Maritimes or not, but I know that if any satisfaction is given, the credit will be due to members on this side of the House," said Mr. Guthrie.

EMPIRE CONFERENCE
Taking up the Imperial Conference report, Mr. Guthrie said the House was not yet in possession of all of the official reports of the conference. It had yet to hear from Canada's delegates a full report of the meeting. Until this was forthcoming he would not speak too broadly on the subject. But he did believe some very serious changes had been made and that the people had been left open for grave injustices should any government choose to take advantage of the situation in the future.

At this point there was laughter from this side.

EQUAL NATIONS
Mr. Guthrie took exception to a reference in the report to the Dominions and the Mother Country as "autonomous communities within the British Empire, equal in status, in no way subordinate one to the other of their domestic or external affairs."

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"I have you doing anything to the dumping clauses of the Customs Act?" asked Mr. Calder.

Mr. Johnson replied he had taken the matter up with the Customs Department and had received a letter from the Dominion appraiser saying there was no investigating officer to ascertain the value of Central American sugar in the home market.

The Dominion appraiser stated inquiry would be made at San Francisco to find out the value in the country of origin of this sugar.

He had made inquiry through a large firm in San Francisco, said Mr. Johnson, and found the selling price of this Central American sugar in the home market was about \$6.50 per hundred pounds. He produced affidavits in support of this statement. This was the same sugar which was being dumped into Canada at \$3 or \$3.25 a hundred pounds, he said.

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Kennedy Company, liquor export house of British Columbia, commanded the attention of the commission for a time.

The vouchers, which are marked only with initials, were discovered by the auditors for the commission. Then they disappeared, and finally, after they were demanded by counsel, reappeared yesterday, torn in two.

George Reifel, president of the Kennedy Company, was on the stand, but persistent questioning by counsel failed to bring from him any explanation of the vouchers. Mr. Rowl took one of these torn pink slips for \$125, with the initial "M" on it, and tried to get some light about it, but Mr. Reifel insisted he knew nothing about these payments.

J. W. de B. Parrie, K.C., one of the counsel present, questioned the relevance of Mr. Reifel's questions in regard to these vouchers. What had the vouchers to do with an investigation such as that being prosecuted by the Customs Commission? he asked.

Chief Justice Brown, chairman of the commission, intervened. If the business of this company was going to be carried on by purchasing immunity from Provincial officials, it was certainly a pertinent matter for inquiry, he insisted.

Further questioning on the vouchers was deferred for the time being.

QUESTION OF LABELS
Mr. Reifel produced a number of labels which, he said, were used by the British Columbia Distillery Co. to cover liquor distilled in this province. One of them testified that the liquor had been distilled under the supervision of United States Government officials, and was exported to cover liquor distilled in the United States.

"And you forged the internal revenue stamp of the United States and put it over the top?" Mr. Rowl said to witness.

"Yes," admitted Mr. Reifel.

EVIDENCE SIFTED
Four witnesses who have appeared before the commission and given evidence in the Chris Moller liquor case were called on for perjury. Chief Justice J. T. Brown, chairman of the commission, announced yesterday afternoon that he and his fellow commissioners were considering seriously the advisability of recommending to the Attorney-General of British Columbia the prosecution of these four witnesses. The names of the witnesses in question were not mentioned.

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of mud pots were filled and in position in orange and lemon groves of Riverside County to-day following prediction by the United States weather bureau that the coldest weather in the winter to date was approaching. Motorcycle riders were ready to awaken groves should the thermometers drop to the danger level. The bureau's special citrus service said the cold snap would continue for two days. Fruit men said the orchards were protected by heat-making equipment this year to an extent never before realized.

STORM TRAVELS EAST
Chicago, Dec. 14.—Bitter Winter swept into the eastern half of this country to-day from western states struggling in the grip of zero weather and deep snow.

Normal life came to a virtual standstill in the Northwest, and down into the central states trains were running behind schedule, schools were closed and crippled communities told of a mounting death toll. Blizzards played havoc with the air mail. Eight persons were dead in the wake of the Northwest's storm, four deaths were counted in the plains states and two men were frozen to death in the heart of the corn belt.

SOOKE ROAD WORK IS FIRST UNIT OF WEST COAST LINK

Government to Lay Foundation For Highway to Renew in 1927 Programme

Work planned by the Public Works Department for next Summer will form the first unit of the West Coast Road, which is expected to be pushed northward from Victoria to Port Renfrew during the next few years.

It is with this plan in view that the department will undertake an important programme of improvement to the Sooke Road, it was explained officially. By closing the existing road and improving its surface from the present end of Sooke to the Sooke Road, the Public Works Department will establish the southern stretch of the West Coast Road on a permanent basis.

FIRST CLASS APPROACH
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DEVELOPMENT OF NEW CANADIANISM IS STRONGLY URGED

Aggressive Spirit Needed, Says G. Spry of Association of Canadian Clubs

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—Development of a truly aggressive and strong Canadian nationalism was essential to definite fulfillment of Canada's new and greater responsibility as an equal partner with other nations in the British Commonwealth of Nations, and the Canadian Clubs throughout Canada should hold educational work along these lines their prime function, declared G. Spry, national secretary of the Association of Canadian Clubs, in an address before the Vancouver Canadian Club yesterday.

Mr. Spry deplored the decline of the Canadian Club movement in the last few years, declaring this was due to a failure on the part of some clubs to function properly, and more particularly owing to the growth of a mistaken idea among non-members that the Canadian Club stood for the old-fashioned imperialism, antithetical to true Canadian nationalism. He urged this latter misconception should be removed by diligent educational work.

On behalf of the city a free site, certain fixed taxation and an understanding as to water and other charges are part of the general policy the city holds in regard to the development of new industry. The industrial committee of the City Council has handled the worsted survey through the assistance of Hon. F. A. Pauline, Agent-General in London, talking over negotiations commenced by John Dean.

RECENT IN NORWAY
Oslo, Dec. 14.—Crown Prince Olaf the twenty-three-year-old son of King Haakon and Queen Maud, tonight for the first time in his career will assume the burden of state acting as regent. This will be when King Haakon leaves for Copenhagen.

WORSTED IN PLAN WILL BE DEBATED

English Manufacturer Not Yet Convinced There is Field Here For New Development

J. Moore, of Bradford, England, interested in worsted manufacture of the woolen trade, will meet the City Council in a special session called for 2.15 p.m. Friday. At this meeting Mr. Moore is expected to outline his convictions as a result of the survey he has made here with a view to establishing a worsted factory if conditions were right.

In conference with the finance committee yesterday Mr. Moore was non-committal in regard to the prospects of starting a worsted industry here. There was a sharp difference in the price of labor here and in Eastern Canada, he pointed out. He also dealt with other factors that enter into the question.

The plant that would be installed, if the owner decides to proceed with the work, would call for 100 operators who would handle "tops" in the manufacture of cloth goods. The tops would have to be imported, it is understood, being largely turned out in England from raw wool imported in the fleece from Australia and other countries.

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BANK OF MONTREAL ANNUAL; UNDERLYING CONDITIONS SOUND; TREND OF BUSINESS UPWARD

Sir Vincent Meredith, president, in comprehensive survey, gives many reasons for confidence regarding outlook in Canada. Reviews great expansions in power development and pulp and paper industry.

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, general manager, in constructive address, emphasizes on convincing reasons why Canada should attract British capital and intending emigrants.

The 39th Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Montreal was held in the Board Room at the Bank's headquarters.

On motion of Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., was requested to take the chair.

The Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C.M.G., moved, seconded by Mr. James Rodger, that Mr. W. R. Miller and Mr. G. L. Ogilvie be appointed to act as scrutineers, and that Mr. C. H. Cronyn be the secretary of this meeting. This was carried unanimously.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS
Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., President, in addressing the shareholders, said:

Before moving the adoption of the Report, it is customary for me to make a few remarks.

As the balance sheet indicates, the business of your Bank during the past year has shown a satisfactory and healthy expansion, and, in consequence, the result of our operations has again demonstrated that the Bank's earning power notwithstanding the economic vicissitudes of the past few years is unimpaired. Money, at home and abroad, has been in better demand, and while the rates have not materially advanced, the larger turnover has resulted in better earnings.

A broad survey of trade conditions in the year under review finds much to hearten and little to discourage. In almost every department of commerce activity is greater and, despite keen competition, profits are larger. Confidence finds practical demonstration in increased capital investment in development of natural resources and, to a lesser extent, expansion of manufacturing plants. Outstanding in this respect is the growth of the pulp and paper industry, the exploitation of mineral deposits and the harnessing of water powers. Closely allied industries indigenous to Canada and in respect of which she may be said to stand unrivalled. The growth of the pulp and paper industry is remarkable, and has produced large profits. In ten years our exports of wood, wood products and paper have increased from \$84,000,000 to \$378,000,000. The United States consumption of newsprint is over 1,000,000 tons a year, and while Canada supplies rather more than one-half. Within the next twelve months Canadian mills now under construction will be adding about 450,000 tons a year to their present output, and unless the present rate of consumption expands, there is the possibility of a surplus of newsprint coming on the market at no distant date.

The Power development on the Saguenay by the Aluminum Company of America is an undertaking of more than local interest. When completed, the plans provide for a total of about 1,100,000 H.P. (nearly 50% larger than that available at Niagara for Canada). The creation of this new industrial centre, with its model city of Arvida, will add materially to the resources of the Province of Quebec.

Then we have our great mineral resources. In 1913 Canada's mineral production was \$145,000,000; in 1925, \$228,000,000, a gain of 57 per cent. As a producer of gold, the indications are that we may soon rank second among the countries of the world, and there can be no doubt as to the vastness of our potential mineral production in general.

Rapid as has been the development of these sources of national wealth in recent years, no limit can reasonably be put upon their progression. There is, indeed, the frequently discussed question of the extent of our pulpwood and timber resources and the danger of production in excess of current demand, but a growing sense of vital importance of forest conservation bids fair to act as a deterrent to excess, and I hold the conviction that these mainstays of Canadian commerce will long flourish. In the leather and wool trade, branches of industry depressed of late, improvement has set in. The textile industry has enjoyed moderate prosperity. Iron and steel works have been fairly well employed. Building operations throughout the country have been active, but in some cities house construction would seem to have overtaken demand and a slowing down in this trade would not be surprising.

The lumber business in Eastern Canada has not been prosperous. In British Columbia, lumber manufacturers are moving a reasonable volume, but the prices are too low to show a real profit. The greater use of substitutes for lumber, such as cement, steel, patent roofing, etc., cannot but have an injurious effect on the industry.

Coincident with the improvement in business has come a decrease in unemployment. Not since 1920 have the ranks of the unemployed been so thin as now. I refer to the country at large, as in some trades and in a few cities, a slight reduction in the number of hands employed is recorded. There are, of course, seasonal variations in the demand for labour, but the encouraging fact is that unemployment is now less than at any period during the past six years.

A phase of modern business worthy of comment is the rapid extension of instalment sales, which, in some instances, notably automobiles, now characterizes the bulk of transactions. Opinions differ as to the permanent

of the country that there is no reason to fear the former extreme fluctuations in general business conditions. Another effect has been the attainment of a sounder and more widespread economic development. Restriction in a few industries stands out in contrast to the general and well-scattered prosperity, but there is faint indication of any over-production of commodities. Keen competition exists in many lines, especially in the motor industry, which, without the assistance of the instalment system, might find difficulty in marketing the enormous full-time output. Prices, while generally stable, are on the whole showing some progress toward lower levels. The railroads have seldom been more prosperous and are rendering service of the highest description. Fundamental conditions underlying the business situation continue sound. There is no evidence of a piling up of raw materials or of finished goods. Merchants, large and small, who learned in 1920 the perils of swollen inventories have kept out of danger by hand-to-mouth purchases. Commodity prices are not unreasonably high and show a declining tendency, despite increasing prosperity. Throughout the country generally among business men and in the labor ranks there is confidence and a sound financial background, although the record-breaking cotton crop will probably adversely affect the buying power of the South.

Turning to European affairs, there is every reason for satisfaction at the considerable advance made towards more settled conditions in general and in particular in the direction of monetary stability. The re-establishment of gold either as a standard or as a basis for currency in most of the leading countries has been an important factor in this favorable development, assisted, of course, by loans of a very considerable amount issued principally in Great Britain and America. The recent Belgian stabilization loan is a noteworthy example. Indications of co-operation between the central banks augur well for the maintenance of the improved financial situation. The expected outstanding inter-allied indebtedness retards the return to sound financial conditions. Most encouraging progress has been made towards settlement, but the ratification by France of her debt agreement with Great Britain and America is an essential necessity. A careful review of European affairs from various angles, however, gives me every reason for a more optimistic outlook than at any time since the Armistice. The Imperial Conference has met in London and not the least important subject of discussion is the plan for the advancement of British trade with the Dominions overseas. A notable development during the year has been the creation in Great Britain of the Empire Marketing Board, having the authority of the British Government to expend \$1,000,000 per annum of public money for the purpose of fostering the demand in Great Britain for the produce of Overseas Dominions. British trade has suffered a severe set-back as a result of the long-continued coal stoppage, which has for nearly six months turned Great Britain from a coal exporter to an importer, to the serious detriment of the foreign trade balance. That the pound sterling should have remained above the gold export point in face of the difficulties encountered is proof of the financial strength of Great Britain.

In Canada better harvests than that of this year have been gathered, but as a whole farmers have been well recompensed for their labors. The wheat crop at 465,000,000 bushels falls a little short of that of 1925, while lowering of grade caused by protracted wet weather finds compensation in higher prices, so that the net return should not be substantially reduced. Vicissitudes of climatic conditions are in the way of nature, yet it can be said that there are neither more frequent nor more extreme in Canada than elsewhere, and that, taking one year with another, the Canadian farmer the country over has little reason to complain. It may interest you to learn that in eleven months of the crop year 1925-26, more than one-half the wheat shipments from world-exporting countries emanated from Canada, which contributed 255,000,000 out of a total of 488,000,000 bushels, a fact stamping Canada as the granary of the world. Better balanced farming, which provides income over the whole year, is steadily on the increase.

The railways afford fairly accurate evidence of the volume of business, though not necessarily of the profits arising therefrom, and applying this test, the deduction is very satisfactory. Both transportation lines have during the year reported increasing earnings from month to month, the Canadian Pacific experiencing one of the best years in its long period of successful operation, and the Canadian National making strides towards overcoming the deficit in capital charge, which not long since imposed a serious burden upon Federal finances. It is true to say that with respect to the railways, to enlarged production, to expansion of trade and to reduction of taxation, immigration is essential and, to my mind, the most important factor in Canada's growth. Almost no limit can be set to the prosperity attendant upon an influx of people commensurate with the absorbing and assimilating power of Canada. Some progress in this direction has this year been made, and it should not be in our hope that ere long the concerted efforts of Government and private agencies to attract to this country desirable settlers from abroad will bring gratifying results.

In conclusion, Canada has emerged from the shadow of restricted business, unsatisfactory earnings and indifferent balance sheets, and the trend of business is now distinctly upward in practically all lines of trade. I cannot see any indication that this period of prosperity is approaching an end. I believe the underlying conditions are sound and the future can be viewed with confidence.

THE GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:

The hundred and ninth annual balance sheet of our Bank, now prepared, reflects, in the fuller employment by the business interests in Canada of our available funds and by our comparative freedom from losses, the general improvement that has taken place in the trade and commerce of this country during the past year.

As a natural consequence of these favorable conditions, I have to report not only that our earning power has been greater, but that from every standpoint we are in a more virile condition than ever before, while we adhere to our time-honoured policy of being always in a strong liquid position.

The figures contained in our balance sheet may not show any remarkable change as compared with those of a year ago, but you will realize, as I do, that there are many factors and many influences at work. On some of these I will touch.

In cash and quick assets we held at the close of our bank year:

Gold and subsidiary coin	\$3,500,000
Deposits in Central Gold	17,000,000
Reserve	50,800,000
Dominion Notes	30,800,000
Notes of, and Cheques on, other Banks	19,800,000
Balance in other Banks	148,500,000
Call Loans	112,800,000
Securities	275,000,000

The total, \$424,500,000, of such immediate assets represents 60.35 per cent. of our total liabilities to the public, and this is approximately the position which we maintain year in and year out.

Apart from better business conditions in Canada, we have actively benefited by an improved demand for money and firmer interest rates at our outside points, London and New York.

To meet the greater demands of our commercial customers in Canada we have reduced our investments by approximately \$2,000,000. This sum represents, roughly, the increase in our current loans in Canada, which now stand at \$269,000,000 as against \$241,000,000 a year ago. This we regard as proof positive that business throughout the country is better.

Commercial failures in Canada for the year numbered 2,285, with liabilities of \$53,971,000. This compares with 2,112 failures with liabilities of \$46,858,000 in 1925. Our deposits are higher by \$23,600,000 than a year ago. They are now \$647,000,000, and it is satisfactory to report that our time deposits, which represent for the most part individual savings, are showing a steady annual growth. This plainly indicates the thrift of our people, and also their continued confidence in the Bank of Montreal as the custodian of their savings.

Our bank premises account has been reduced \$350,000 during the year, and we have, as usual, made full provision for maintenance and alterations.

We have during the year opened twelve new branches and agencies, and closed the same number, leaving the total unchanged at 111.

We do not look for a very rapid return from new branches as a rule, and proceed with due caution in establishing them, yet we maintain our policy that the Bank shall be represented wherever there is settlement and activity in Canada, thus ensuring for the public all reasonable banking facilities.

As illustrating the Bank's settled determination to keep in the van of banking progress, let me mention some comparatively new special services we now render to our clients and the public at large.

At the Head Office of the Bank several special departments are in operation, each of them manned by specialists in their respective lines.

We have, for instance, a Foreign Department, which keeps in constant touch with all important foreign countries, facilitates the foreign trade relations of our clients, and endeavors to create, or increase, an interest in this country and its opportunities.

A second department watches the hourly fluctuations in the many foreign exchanges and disseminates this information through the medium of our system of private telegraph wires to central points throughout Canada. We are thus able to give to the public facilities in exchange transactions and the benefit of the closest competitive rates.

We have also a department which specializes in securities, maintaining contact at all times with the markets in this country and abroad. The services of this department are at the disposal of our clients through the medium of any of our offices.

As you are no doubt aware, the Bank for several years has been publishing weekly reports upon the condition of our Canadian crops during the growing season. Further, we are now issuing a monthly Business Summary covering all phases of business activity throughout Canada and in the several countries where we maintain offices. Copies of this Summary are sent free to anyone on request and are widely distributed to a mailing list extending throughout Canada and to practically every country in the world.

In the past few years our Bank has distributed to the farmers of Canada more than 150,000 copies of excellent handbooks dealing with farming subjects, and the many letters of appreciation received have shown that our efforts to further the interests of this section of our population, and to increase their profits, are widely appreciated. We have also prepared and distributed abroad many thousands of copies of our booklets dealing with Canada, our object being to attract the notice of possible immigrants and investors, and to stimulate their interest in this country.

Not all of these services perhaps are directly remunerative, but we believe they have all been of very de-

finite value. They are broadening the facilities available to our clients, creating goodwill, and demonstrating that the Bank is keenly concerned in the public welfare and in furthering the general interests of this country.

Our outside reserve offices, New York and London, have operated satisfactorily in point of earnings and growth.

In the United States banking resources have shown little depletion as a result of the activity in business, and money has remained plentifully supply at somewhat higher rates. Call money has averaged 5.53 per cent., as against 3.52 per cent. in the preceding year.

Our Paris business is well established, and steadily growing in importance. Our office building in London, admirably situated, and extremely well patronized.

During the year we acquired the business of the Mexico City Banking Corporation, which gave us desirable premises in the centre of the retail district of Mexico City and relieved the congestion at our main office. Our business continues to expand on a sound and conservative basis and is closely supervised by our local Superintendent of Mexico Branches, resident in Mexico City.

In London, new Canadian public issues have again been negligible, and apparently there is no present prospect of an early re-entrance to that market.

American capital, however, continues to flow into Canada like a bountiful stream, and this expression of confidence by our great next-door neighbor is extremely gratifying. The proceeds of Canadian public loans since 1925 to date were \$258,000,000, while private American capital newly invested here, although unrecorded, must have been not less than \$75,000,000.

From a purely material point of view it makes no difference whether the capital that develops our resources comes from the United States or elsewhere, but I shall not be misunderstood if I say that for Empire reasons, which are more than merely sentimental Canada as a whole would heartily welcome a greater influx of British capital.

One of the many misfortunes which Britain and the Empire have had to face as a result of the War has been the curtailment in the Motherland of exportable capital. This condition will gradually improve, and although the lower interest rates now current in the United States preclude for the present the floating of Canadian public loans in London, this condition is not altogether applicable to money borrowed for private enterprise.

It may not be out of place, therefore, to mention three outstanding factors regarding Canada, for the benefit of potential British investors and of those at home in Great Britain who have the welfare of the Empire at heart.

First, consider our three Prairie Provinces. Less than fifty years ago they were uninhabited. There was the Indian, the buffalo, and a small settlement on the Red River around Fort Garry, now Winnipeg. To-day there is on these fertile plains a population of 2,000,000 prosperous people, with millions of rich and idle acres waiting for more settlers to come.

The estimated value of the field crops of these three Provinces in 1920 was \$32,000,000. Now, twenty-six years later, the actual value is close to \$700,000,000, more than \$300,000,000 in excess of the world's annual output of gold. Gold mines become established, but the Prairie Provinces, with the exercise of proper care, are capable of producing in perpetuity. In other words, the great sum mentioned, namely \$700,000,000 to-day with more to come, is in the nature of a sure and rapidly rising dividend.

Second, though Canada is well known as a great agricultural country, it may not be realized abroad that the gross value of our manufactured products at the point of production amounted, in 1924, the latest figures available—to \$2,695,000,000, or nearly twice the value of our agricultural production for the same year.

Third, our progress in "harnessing" water power, the utilization of which has increased 180 per cent. in ten years. Canada is now second per capita in water power development in the world. When developments now under way are completed Canada will have in use 4,500,000 horse power, representing a capital investment in power plants and transmission lines of \$554,000,000. The undeveloped wealth in this field is prodigious. A conservative estimate is 28,000,000 horse power.

These three facts alone, apart from all other considerations, should be enough to attract the attention of the British Empire the notice of British engineers, promoters, investors, manufacturers and intending emigrants.

For a decade more or less before the War the view was at times expressed in London that Canada was going ahead too fast on borrowed money and that there was danger ahead. Those of us who did not altogether agree with that view at the time can now at least admit that there was some ground for such criticism.

On the other hand, in comparison with the total volume of both public and private Canadian borrowing in the London market, the percentage of such money that has been lost is unimportant.

It is, I think, worth noting in conclusion that with a population less than 10,000,000 Canada's exports are now equal in monetary value to the exports of the United States when that country had a population of 70,000,000, a remarkable showing even allowing for the decreased value of the dollar.

Admitting that for a period Canada was going ahead too fast, we believe we had our lesson, that we are living down our mistakes, and that things taken a turn for the better. Moreover, we not only believe, but know that we have one of the best and richest countries on earth.

PROVINCIAL REPORTS

The customary report on conditions in the various provinces have

been prepared and are available on request to any persons desiring them.

REPORT ADOPTED

The chairman then invited discussion, but there being none, he moved, seconded by Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., that the Report of the Directors, now read, be adopted and printed for distribution among the Shareholders.

The report was unanimously adopted.

His Honor Henry Cockshutt moved seconded by Mr. Thomas Ahearn, that Messrs. James Hutchison, C.A. and George C. McDonald, C.A. be appointed auditors for the Bank for the ensuing year, and that the ballot for the auditors be taken at the same time as the ballot for directors is taken.

On motion of Mr. E. W. Beatty, K.C., seconded by Mr. G. B. Fraser, resolutions appointing the necessary proxies for the Bank at meetings of controlled companies were unanimously adopted.

THANKS TO OFFICERS

The Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux then moved, seconded by Mr. W. M. Stewart, that the thanks of the meeting are hereby tendered to the President, the Vice-President, and Directors, for their attention to the interests of the Bank.

In speaking to this resolution, the Hon. Mr. Lemieux said: "I may say that it is a pleasure and honor for me to move this resolution. I have always looked upon the Bank of Montreal as one of the foremost financial institutions not only in Canada and in the British Empire but of the world. The progress of the Bank of Montreal reflects the progress of Canada. In fact, I may say that in my humble judgment I look upon the Bank of Montreal as the cornerstone of our national credit and security. The advice of the Bank of Montreal, when sought by governments, has always been given in the best interests of Canada. My motion purports to tender thanks to the President, Vice-President and Directors. I think we should congratulate ourselves on having as President, Vice-President, and Directors men of sterling integrity, of commanding ability, who have maintained steadily the honor and traditions of the Bank and who have possessed business acumen and reserved optimism which for over a century has made the Bank of Montreal the pride of Canadians at home and abroad."

The Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux then moved the vote of thanks as above. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

The Chairman—"On behalf of my colleagues and myself, I wish to thank you for the graceful and flattering remarks you, Mr. Lemieux, have made in proposing the resolution, and Mr. Stewart for having seconded it. Your Directors take a keen interest in the Bank's affairs, and in maintaining the high traditions and prestige it enjoys."

Mr. William McMaster then moved, seconded by Major-General the Hon. C. C. McArthur, C.M.G., that the thanks of the meeting are hereby tendered to the General Manager, the Assistant General Managers, the Superintendents, the Managers and other Officers of the Bank for their services during the past year.

In speaking to this resolution, Mr. McMaster said: "In this connection I would like to refer to what has taken place within the Bank since I was elected a member of the Board in 1913. The branches then numbered 180, and now number over 600. The staff was 1,883, and to-day number 6,651. The total assets then were 240 millions, and they are now 785 millions. I think that these figures show an expansion which necessarily reflects credit on those mentioned in this resolution as having materially assisted in bringing about this result because of their loyalty, zeal, and ability, from the General Manager, the Assistant General Managers, the Superintendents and Inspectors down to the staff, clerical and junior. I do not want to make this merely a formal resolution, and therefore I am sure that the shareholders will agree with me that we should be more than sympathetic in recognizing the good services given by those I have mentioned. These services should be recognized in a material manner in keeping with other commercial pursuits, and we should go as far as possible in carrying out this idea, and I have much pleasure, therefore, in proposing this resolution."

The motion was carried with applause.

In reply to this, the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor said:

"On behalf of all concerned, I have to thank you for this hearty commendation of services rendered during the past year. As you know so well, the maintenance of our position in the banking world—may I say our proud position in the banking world—would not be practicable but for the loyalty, integrity, and industry of a well-trained and efficient staff. Our time-honored policy is to do all in our power to insure the welfare and contentment of every officer of the Bank, and it is a policy which our experience has amply justified. I am glad to say that among our senior staff we have officers of high attainments and promise who, with the training and experience they are now receiving, will be fully competent to fill the most responsible positions of the Bank when they are called upon."

The Ballot for the appointment of Auditors and the election of Directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with.

The Scrutineers appointed for the purpose reported that Messrs. James Hutchison, C.A., and George C. McDonald, C.A., were duly appointed auditors, and the following gentlemen duly elected Directors:

Thomas Ahearn, D. Forbes Angus, E. W. Beatty, K.C., His Honor Henry Cockshutt, General Sir Arthur Currie, C.M.G., K.C.B., H. R. Drummond, G. B. Fraser, Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., the Honorable Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C.M.G., C. R. Homer, Harold Kennedy, J. W. McConnell, William McMaster, F. E. Meredith, K.C., Sir James McMillan, B.A., and Maj.-Gen. the Hon. S. C. McBurn, C.D., V.C.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., was re-elected President, and Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., was re-elected Vice-President.

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W. G. RICHARDS IS SENT TO JAIL

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—Appearing on charges of theft as well as a statutory offence, W. G. Richards, who some months ago was the object of a public drive for his capture for annoying women, was sentenced in police court here yesterday to six months' imprisonment.

Richards and Russell Lane were each given six months by Magistrate Shaw after having previously pleaded guilty to three charges of theft.

The statutory charge was taken in the court of Magistrate J. A. Findlay. Previously pleading guilty to the statutory charge, he was sentenced to six months, the term to run concurrently with that imposed by Magistrate Shaw.

MAYOR RE-ELECTED

Moose Jaw, Sask., Dec. 14.—Mayor W. Davidson was re-elected yesterday for his fourth consecutive term by a majority of over 400 over Alderman T. J. Emerson.

EARTH SHOCKS ROCKED JAVA

Batavia, Java, Dec. 14.—A number of native dwellings were destroyed and seventeen homes of Europeans at Procopel were damaged when nineteen tremors last night shook the neighborhood of Tegel, on the northern coast of Java. Only one person is reported to have been injured.

Dominion Coal Feels Pre-war Prosperity

Montreal, Dec. 14.—With the exception of Sir Trevor Dawson, who has retired from the board, the directorate of the Dominion Coal Company was re-elected at the annual meeting of that company here to-day. In the course of his remarks, President R. M. Wolvin declared that the current year would closely approximate the company's best pre-war years.

ONTARIO ELECTION PROTEST

Toronto, Dec. 14.—H. S. Colwell, defeated Conservative candidate in Prince Edward in the Ontario general election, intimated here to-day that the election in that riding of W. R. Boney, Progressive leader, would probably be protested. "We have plenty of evidence and I think it is very likely a protest will be made," he said.

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CHILDISH CRITICISM

AFTER THE RECENT DOMINION
election The Montreal Star, the most widely-read Conservative newspaper in Canada, declared the Conservative Party was suffering from lack of effective leadership and a sound, constructive policy. The accuracy of that diagnosis was admitted in most quarters, but it was not found possible or expedient to remedy the trouble, and the best that could be done for the time being was to appoint Mr. Hugh Guthrie as leader of the Conservative group in the House of Commons.

Mr. Guthrie's performance so far must make The Montreal Star and Conservative elements who are deeply concerned over the future of their party shiver with apprehension. It must grievously disappoint those of Mr. Guthrie's friends who had hoped that he would do so well as leader in the House of Commons as to qualify him for the leadership of the Conservative Party of Canada and a prospective Prime Minister. But his opposition to the retention of the Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux as Speaker would have been too puerile for even an inexperienced and obscure back-bencher.

Mr. Guthrie's criticism of the report of the Imperial Conference on the ground that it menaces the privileges of language and religion enjoyed by Quebec under the constitution was childish in the extreme. Does he actually think he can make any impression on the electorate of that province by such a transparent device? Surely he ought to know by this time that the old game of charging the Liberals with being too British in Quebec, and enemies of British connection in Ontario, is played out.

After that it was scarcely surprising that Mr. Guthrie should declare that every trade treaty negotiated by the King Government had been detrimental to Canada, and that the Australian Treaty was especially bad. What political advantage can Mr. Guthrie hope to gain by so absurd a contention? Canada's trade with Australia has increased from \$15,000,000 to \$23,000,000 under that treaty, and her exports alone increased by nearly \$5,000,000. Mr. Meighen last Summer declared in this Province that the treaty would be continued if he were returned to power. Our total trade is nearly \$2,300,000,000, a gain of more than \$220,000,000 in the last twelve months. Our favorable balance is now \$300,000,000, the largest in history.

Mr. Guthrie says our balance is attained at the expense of the people of Great Britain. We are not sure whether he regards the fact that we sell more to Britain than we buy from her as a calamity or not. But in view of the fact that he is opposed to the British Preference and would erect a higher tariff against British goods, his reasoning processes must be obscure even to his own followers. We wonder if they are no less obscure to himself. Does Mr. Guthrie really want to buy less from Britain and also sell less to her? Or does he think all foreign trade is a delusion and a snare?

It is almost incredible that anybody entrusted with the leadership of a great party in the House of Commons could seriously make such fantastic statements as those upon which we have based our comment. But the report from which we have quoted emanates from Conservative sources and appears in the Conservative press. The indications certainly point to the leadership of the Opposition in the House of Commons devolving upon the chief of the United Farmers of Alberta, who at least can be expected to advance arguments and criticism of Government policy worthy of the name.

THE NEW WAY GETS RESULTS

ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS THE COMPLETE pacification of Europe has been taken by the decision of the statesmen gathered at Geneva to supersede the Inter-Allied Military Control Commission in Germany by the machinery of the League of Nations. Although this course would have been roundly condemned in all the Allied countries two years ago, not without cause in many respects, it is the only logical method to adopt in view of what took place at Locarno and the numerous manifestations of international goodwill during the last twelve months. It restores to Germany her self-respect and puts her on her honor—a condition which obviously is in keeping with the spirit of the times.

Recent developments in the European arena must be a revelation to the whole world. Not so very long ago the spirit of post-war hatred was rampant in both France and Germany. French soldiers had gone into the Ruhr to try and collect from the former enemy nation what it had not attempted to pay under the Treaty of Versailles, and the outlook at that time promised little better than continued friction and an ultimate war of revenge. There was nothing particularly surprising in this; the old form of diplo-

macy had not altogether disappeared and intrigue followed intrigue until a new method of doing international business was given a trial. Very little may have been accomplished at those earlier conferences. Former enemy countries were not permitted to participate in them; their representatives, if they did attend, attended solely in the role of supplicants or to be reminded of their obligations. Yet each gathering revealed something new and cleared the atmosphere, actually cleared the way for the great triumph at Locarno, when Germany and France agreed to live in peace under the terms of a solemn pledge which is virtually a guarantee of no more war between them. Since then other friendly and economic understandings have been entered into by the principal European powers, all of them having for their object peaceful intercourse between nations and the elimination of a certain form of industrial competition which in the past was inimical to friendly relationships.

When Herr Stresemann declared at Geneva yesterday that the Great War never would have occurred if, before 1914, the statesmen of Europe had had as many opportunities to meet frequently and talk things over as they do now, he spoke a truth which must be apparent to those who scoffed at Mr. Lloyd George when he declared about the earliest of these post-war conferences that if only a little progress towards a better understanding had been reached at each gathering, that gathering had justified itself. Herr Stresemann is right; Mr. Lloyd George was right.

Apart from what the agreement reached at Geneva over the week-end means to Germany and Germany's subsequent relationships with the Allied countries—and the removal of the Inter-Allied Military Control Mission must have a beneficial effect—it is gratifying to remember that all the movements towards the complete pacification of Europe and the reduction of the danger of war are being welded into the machinery of the League of Nations. Thus do they obtain more force and additional guarantees that they will be lived up to.

OUR SHINGLE BUSINESS

WASHINGTON AND OREGON WILL not be satisfied until they have persuaded the United States Government to remove British Columbia shingles from the free list. The shingle and lumber manufacturers of the two states are pressing their campaign with renewed vigor and they are elated over their success in obtaining the endorsement of the trustees of the Manufacturers' Association of Washington. Their object, of course, is a tariff of at least fifty cents per thousand on all shingles imported from this Province in order that Washington and Oregon mills may compete with British Columbia mills.

Those in touch with sentiment across the border declare it unlikely that any change will be made because the public does not propose to support any legislative move that would increase the cost of house building. It is pointed out, however, that every time politicians and public men in British Columbia talk about embargoes and seasonal tariffs against the neighboring republic, they merely improve the position of those who are after a tariff which would put most of the shingle mills of this Province out of business. Very nearly ninety per cent. of our shingles at the present time cross the border. Neither Victoria nor Vancouver can afford to lose this market.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

THE LONGEST WORD
Writer in The New York Sun

The annual or semi-annual discussion was broached a short time ago regarding the longest word. "Honorificabilitudinitatibus" took the prize as the longest word in literature. It contains twenty-seven letters. "Antidisestablishmentarianism" seems to have taken the palm for the longest word in the English language. Seeking for the longest word in any language, I overlooked the lost 152 syllable word mentioned by one Foster, we have the Sanskrit word containing thirty letters—Sankashtachaturthivratayapana. It is perhaps possible that the German may furnish a competitor.

Queer Quirks of Nature

By AUSTIN H. CLARK

At Matsushima Island off the northern coast of Korea, this shell forms the object of a fairly important fishery, the animal being cut out the dried for food.

This fishery is carried on by the Korean women. They swim about pushing before them a waterproof basket and wearing only what looks like a pair of old fashioned automobile goggles over their eyes.

When they see a shell clinging to the rocks on the bottom they let go the basket and swim down through the water to it, bring it up, and drop it into the basket. They are able to swim down to incredible distances. When the basket has all the shells it can carry they swim ashore with the catch.

Wherever the abalones are found of sufficient size and in sufficient numbers they are always in demand both for food and for the manufacture of ornaments. The Kamohatka abalone lives from Kamohatka south to northern Japan and Korea and along the shores of continental Alaska, being particularly abundant about Sitka.

Though this abalone is not large it is very pretty, the inside being white, with a beautiful pearly play of colors. The Indians of Alaska make beautiful ornaments from it.

A THOUGHT

The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid—Isa. xl, 16. It is the beautiful necessity of our nature to love something.—Douglas Jerrold.

Do You Mean What You Say?

"TO GIVE HIM THE SLIP"



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The phrase, "to give him the slip," is commonly understood as meaning "to elude pursuit." Originally, however, it referred to the act of "slipping" a hand, that is, allowing it to run free by slipping the restraining lead from its collar. While the hunting phrase meant the freeing of the hand, the present usage refers to the freeing of the individual himself.

Canadian Questions and Answers

LORD SYDENHAM

Q.—Who was Lord Sydenham?
A.—Lord Sydenham was Charles Edward Poulett Thomson, a prominent English statesman, who became governor of Canada in 1839, but who lived only one year and eleven months after assuming office. He died in Kingston September 18, 1841. Lord Sydenham had been in ill health, but his death was hastened by a fall from his horse. Although governor for less than two years, he exercised a large influence on the political destinies of the country.

The first parliament of Upper and Lower Canada met in Kingston hospital building June 14, 1841, and the death of the governor sealed its first session. Lord Sydenham's body was placed in a vault beneath the central aisle of St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, and is marked with a tablet.



Daily Bulletin Published by the Victoria Daily Times

Victoria, Dec. 14.—5 a.m.—The barometer has risen on the Northern Coast and fine, cold weather prevails over this Province. Abnormally low temperatures are reported in the west.

Report.

Victoria.—Barometer, 30.35; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 21; wind, 4 miles N.E.; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver.—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 14; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Kamloops.—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, maximum yesterday, 31; minimum, 16; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Princeton.—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, maximum yesterday, 19; minimum, 20; below; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert.—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, maximum yesterday, 24; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Estevan Point.—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, maximum yesterday, 23; minimum, 20; wind, 4 miles E.E.; weather, cloudy.

Tatooch.—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 26; wind, 26 miles E.; weather, clear.

Portland.—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 22; minimum, 10; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, clear.

Seattle.—Barometer, 30.26; temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 20; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, clear.

San Francisco.—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 56; minimum, 42; wind, 13 miles N.; weather, clear.

Edmonton.—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 8; below; minimum, 20; below; snow, trace.

Temperature

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	28	21
Vancouver	30	14
Penticton	19	12
Grand Forks	17	10
Nelson	14	14
Swift Current	12	32
Calgary	20	32
Qu'Appelle	20	32
Regina	21	32
Winnipeg	19	27
Moose Jaw	19	27
Toronto	30	27
Ottawa	28	27
Montreal	28	27
John	28	27
Halifax	34	24

Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter the chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the owner wishes. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for manuscripts submitted to the Editor.

MR. HOOD'S RETIREMENT

To the Editor:—In view of the prominence you gave in your issue of July 23 last to the announcement by the Hon. Minister of Public Works regarding my retirement from the public service, would you kindly publish the enclosed open letter to the Hon. W. H. Sutherland, giving it as equal prominence as you did the announcement of the Minister?

A. HOOD.

633 Simcoe Street, Victoria, B.C., Dec. 13, 1926.

An Open Letter to the Hon. W. H. Sutherland, M.D., Minister of Public Works, Victoria, B.C.

Sir:—In The Victoria Daily Times of July 23 last appeared the following announcement:

"Alfred Hood, Chief Clerk and Accountant of the Public Works Department, was retired from that position by Order-in-Council to-day. Announcement of his retirement was made by the Hon. W. H. Sutherland, Minister of Public Works, who explained that this move was part of a reorganization of the accounting system."

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branch of his department. No successor to Mr. Hood has been appointed yet, the Minister added. Mr. Hood has been in the service for many years.

On the same date, July 22, I received from you the following personal letter:

"Mr. A. Hood, Chief Clerk and Accountant, Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings:

"Dear Sir:—It is quite clear to me after our conversation of yesterday that it is not in the interest of the department that you should continue in its service. I think that must be obvious to yourself. I therefore have recommended to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, this morning, that you be retired from the service and attached you will find a copy of Order-in-Council, which has been approved."

The announcement and the letter do not agree one with the other. Doubtless you will remember that in our conversation no reference whatsoever was made to the accounting system of the department necessitating a reorganization.

I am quite sure that, as you thought my retirement to be of sufficient importance to the general public to announce it through the press, I am just as sure that the general public would be equally interested in hearing the various matters dealt with in the conversation above referred to, and so far as I am concerned you are at liberty to take the people into your confidence and tell them of the conversation which took place in your office on July 22 in the presence of the Hon. the Attorney-General, the interview having lasted two hours or more.

In your letter you state that it is not in the interest of the department that I should continue in its service. Is it not possible that you erred somewhat in this regard, and intended to say that it was not in the interest of the Minister of Public Works that your services should continue in his department? However, as you have stated that it is in the interest of the department that I should continue in its service, you must have some good reason in arriving at such a conclusion and to go the length of recommending to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor that I should be retired from the service.

I have served the Province for many years, and feel just as equal to serving it for a few more, believing that I still retain the same willing spirit, purpose and ability. Regarding my past service, let me here say that I have never been a failure. Philip, Deputy Minister and Public Works Engineer, which quotation, I believe, was read from a thoughtfully prepared paper, before the Commission inquiring into the efficiency of the staff at the last session of the Legislature: "I wish to go on record as saying that Mr. Hood, our Chief Accountant, is an efficient and conscientious public servant, conscientious and most diligent, whose true worth and true value the Public Works Department fully appreciate."

In view of this very kind expression of your Deputy and the remarks of the very high opinion you had of me, made to me at various times by some of the staff, I suggest to you that you take courage and inform the general public the true reason for my retirement. In short, I challenge you to go through the daily press and over your own signature a statement that my retirement was due in whole or in part to any reorganization of the accounting branch of your department and that under such reorganization I am incompetent or incapable of successfully carrying out any contemplated change.

In referring to the department's accounting system, it was quite evident that you did not favor the suggested change made to you by the Comptroller-General over a year ago, as on February 8 last he sent you a communication, part of which reads: "It is particularly desired to draw your attention to the fact that the synoptic control ledger, sample sheets of which with pro forma entries were handed to you at the beginning of September last for adoption by the department, had not been put into effect at the end of January," etc.

The Comptroller-General's communication having been referred to me by the Deputy Minister on February 22, the following day I replied to him drawing his attention to the fact that I had not, to my recollection, seen either the ledger nor the sample sheets the Comptroller-General had submitted to you in September and further, that if it was intended to make any change, to let me have instructions so that we could get ready for the new fiscal year beginning April 1. It must therefore be obvious to you that I was quite prepared to install any new approved system and to see that it was carried out, but as no instructions were issued or received by me for any change, I concluded that our system of accounting was not so bad after all. It had stood the test for years and would do so for many more if only given a fair chance.

At the University inquiry you tried to get from me by blaming the accounting system, but to one who knows, and I believe understands the whole University situation, you only made yourself appear ridiculous. You place great reliance on the "work order system" that was originated in and drafted by the Comptroller-General's Department, but as it is being carried out by you originally intended. Still it may serve to assist in keeping a check on the expenditures you personally authorize, also those of your engineering staff, which is what it was through the hands of your Chief Accountant. In your evidence before the committee you stated that all work authorized went through the Chief Accountant. Let me say here that your evidence in this respect is not according to fact.

I have referred in a casual way to matters pertaining to the University inquiry, but hope to have an opportunity at a later date to go more fully into this and other matters that have come under my obser-

vation during the last few years. My observation leads me to the belief that it would be very much to the interest of the taxpayers of the Province were you to be relieved of the administration of so important a spending department as that of Public Works.

It must be remembered that I have lived in this Province for thirty-five years and have been in the public service for twenty-eight of these years, all in the Public Works Department, and consider my reputation is worth something, and I do not have to take, nor do I propose to take, from the Minister of Public Works, such a slur on my character or my ability. Delay by the Government in not passing the Order-in-Council for my superannuation allowance compelled me to postpone publishing this letter at a much earlier date.

Late Chief Clerk and Accountant
Department of Public Works,
633 Simcoe Street, Victoria, B.C.,
Dec. 13, 1926.

GANG MURDERED ILLINOIS MAYOR

Benton, Ill., Dec. 14.—Relatives of "Big Joe" Adams, mayor of West City, near here, who was shot to death late Sunday by two unidentified gunmen, testified at the inquest last night that threats against his life had been made by Charles Birger, leader of one of the Southern Illinois bootleg gangs.

Two previous attempts had been made to kill Adams, who was a supporter of the rival Shelton gangsters, and his death was the ninth in the deadly feud of the coal belt liquor traffic.

The inquest was adjourned until Wednesday after Gus Adams, a brother of the slain mayor, said he believed he recognized the handwriting on a note used to decoy the mayor to his doom, where he was shot down. Gus Adams said he desired more time to investigate.

The decoy note bore the initials "C.B." and one of the gunmen, I am told, it was from Carl, presumably meaning Carl Shelton, one of the three Shelton brothers, who was recently released from jail under \$60,000 bonds on a mail robbery charge. Birger, declared, however, that Adams had harbored the rival Shelton gangsters in his home and asserted the mayor had killed "High Pockets" McQuay and Mayor Jeff Stone of Colp, two victims of the gang war. He also asserted Adams had attempted to trap him by getting him to the scene of a roadhouse fire where twelve cases of dynamite had been planted with two men in the woods nearby ready to set off the explosive.

Ladysmith

Ladysmith, Dec. 13.—A large crowd was in attendance at the benefit dance, held Saturday night, in the Agricultural Hall, for Milton (Tuffy) Davis, the popular football player who had the misfortune to break his collarbone recently while playing football. The music for the evening was supplied by the Herlihy's orchestra.

A benefit whist drive and dance was held Friday night, in the Diamond Schoolhouse, for Mrs. Smith who was injured some time ago. The winners of the whist were as follows: Ladies first, G. Pollock, substitute; second, Mrs. A. Robinson. Gentlemen's first, T. Docherty Jr.; second, J. Richards. A box of chocolates was drawn during the evening and was won by Miss Mary Mall.

Mrs. D. R. Alexander of Vancouver, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Watson, Methuen Street.

H. Jones, accompanied by his mother and sister, and Mrs. J. Jones, were visiting relatives in Nanaimo on Saturday.

Mrs. R. Stewart of Duncan, was a visitor in Ladysmith during the weekend.

Mrs. D. Gregson and son of Victoria, spent the week-end here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Gregson, Fourth Avenue.

Mrs. G. H. White has left for Vancouver, where she will be for some time.

While Joe Conti was using a knife to fix his football, the knife slipped and struck him in the right eye. He was immediately taken to the Ladysmith General Hospital where he received attention before leaving for Victoria, where he is now a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital. Joe is the young son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Conti, Simon Street.

CANADA IS URGED AS MEMBER OF BIG AMERICAN UNION

Suggestion Made Republics of Two Continents Invite This Country

New York, Dec. 14.—Canada's new status in Washington came immediately to the front at the opening of the Fifth Pan-American Commercial Conference here yesterday. The appointment of a Canadian Minister to the United States was hailed in an address by John Barrett, chairman of the International Pan-American Committee, as "the most important and significant event in the Twentieth Century relations of Canada and the United States."

Death in Ontario Leads to Inquest

Toronto, Dec. 14.—After holding a consultation with Coroner W. L. Bond, Prosecuting Attorney Eric Armour, K.C., announced last night an inquest would be held on the death of William Ferguson, forty, a Toronto broker, who was found dead early yesterday in a bedroom of his home at Richmond Hill, fifteen miles north of Toronto.

The body, with a bullet wound in the roof of the mouth, was found by the widow in the house, which neither occupied, Ferguson living in the city while his wife, chairman of the housekeeper for a neighbor. Almost above the body was a 22 calibre rifle, projecting from the wall, pointing downward at a slight angle from a niche which seemed to have been sawed out especially to hold it in that manner.

Nearly lay the box in which the weapon had been purchased in a downtown departmental store and a bill of sale.

Duncan

Duncan, Dec. 14.—At the annual general meeting of the St. Peter's church of the W.A., held at the Rectory, Quinsichan last week, the following officers were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. C. Basset; president, Mrs. H. A. Collison; first vice-president, Mrs. A. Basset; second vice-president, Miss E. Basset; secretary, Mrs. A. Leakey; treasurer, Miss P. Hanham; extra cent-a-day secretary, Mrs. G. O. Day; prayer, partner secretaries, Miss E. Basset; Living Message secretary, Miss B. Hadwen; Dorcas secretary, Miss Kingston; thank-offering secretary, Mrs. G. H. Townsend; literature secretary, Mrs. A. Collison; tea convener, Mrs. C. Stone. The pledge promised for this season is \$100, the same as last year. Money not disbursed last season was: Bishop Stringer's Hostel at White Horse, Dawson, \$25; new cathedral, \$10, first instalment towards the promised; insurance on parish hall, \$11; prayer partner's work, \$5; Columbia Coast Mission, \$5; also a large bale of articles sent to the Dorcas secretary, Victoria.

The annual meeting of the W.A. St. Mary's, Somenos, was held last week at the home of Mrs. Leslie. Officers elected for the coming year were: Honorary president, Mrs. A. Bissethager; president, Mrs. G. Tidball; first vice-president, Mrs. G. V. Hopkin; second vice-president, Mrs. Lionel Henslowe; secretary, Mrs. Goddard; treasurer, Mrs. Dunkley; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Moon; Living Message secretary, Mrs. McKinnell.

Duncan, Dec. 14.—The bazaar held under the auspices of the Duncan United Church Ladies' Aid on Saturday proved a great success, and augmented the funds by nearly \$300.

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CALGARY TAX RATE

Calgary, Dec. 14.—Calgary's mill rate for 1927, based on tentative estimates completed yesterday, will be 15 mills, Mayor Webster stated. The 1926 rate was 41.75.

POWER CAPITAL INCREASED

Quebec, Dec. 14.—The Quebec Power Company has been authorized to increase its capital stock from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

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—Hosiery, Main Floor

Children's Three-quarter Hose

Special, a Pair, 59¢

A big assortment of Children's Three-quarter Hose is shown at this price, of silk and wool, all wool or silk plaited. Many shades to select from, suitable for either boys or girls. Special, a pair... 59¢
—Hosiery, Main Floor

Girls' Flannelette Bloomers and Slips

White Flannelette Princess Slips, plain finish or trimmed with imitation torchon lace on flounce and around neck. Sizes for 6 to 14 years. Specially priced at \$1.00 and... \$1.25
White Flannelette Bloomers with elastic at waist and knees, neat styles in size for 2 to 12 years. Special, a pair... 50¢
Flannelette Bloomers in sand shade, sizes for 2 to 10 years. Very good quality. A pair... 50¢
—Children's Wear, First Floor

Children's Pullover Sweaters

For Christmas Gifts, \$2.75
\$1.75 to \$2.75
Pullover Sweaters in a variety of smart styles and colorings for girls from 2 to 8 years. Nice assortment, ranging in price from \$1.75 to... \$2.75
—Children's Wear, First Floor



Women's Rayon Silk Vests

Guaranteed Not to Run, Each

\$1.65

Rayon Silk Vests in lockstitch weave, guaranteed not to run. Shown in white, pink, peach, mauve, maize and powder blue; sizes 36 to 42; regular \$1.95 each for... \$1.65
—Underwear, First Floor

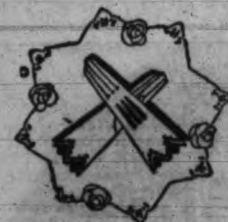
Colored Woolen Princess Slips for Girls, \$1.25

Woolen Princess Slips in combination shades of grey and navy, grey and Saxe and fawn and henna; sizes for 6, 8 and 10 years. Each... \$1.25
—Children's Wear, First Floor

Flannel Panty Dresses

For Your Little Girl

Smart Little Flannel Frocks with pants to match; shown in a splendid assortment of styles and colorings; for ages 2 to 5 years. Priced from \$3.50 to... \$4.95
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Women's Suede Fabric Gloves 79c to \$1.25

Suede Fabric Gloves in novelty styles, with fancy cuffs, embroidered points and in many shades.
—Gloves, Main Floor

Boudoir Caps and Bandeaux

Boudoir Caps and Bandeaux in an infinite variety of styles that appeal to feminine vanity. At \$1.25, \$1.50 and at... \$2.50
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Women's Dainty Handkerchiefs 3 for \$1.00

White Lace Trimmed Voile Handkerchiefs; Colored Linen Handkerchief with tatting edge; Colored Linen Handkerchiefs with contrasting embroidered corners. White Linen Handkerchiefs, beautifully embroidered in white and Novelty Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs. Specially good values at 3 for \$1.00
—Handkerchiefs, Main Floor



Dressing Gowns For Women

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\$3.90

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Women's Silk and Wool Cardi- gans for Gifts, \$4.50

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Silk Knit Jumpers and Over- blouses, \$1.95 and \$3.75

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Mohair Mats Each, \$5.00

Mohair Mats, 2x4 feet, fine grade British made. Shades include green, blue, champagne, helio and tan. A special offering for the 'half day. Each... \$5.00
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Carpet Hassocks, Each, \$2.95

Hassocks, made of fine grade Wilton or Axminster carpets. Extra well finished. Special value, each... \$2.95
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Swiss Curtains, a Pair, \$4.50

Add a pair to the attractiveness of your home for Christmas. Swiss Curtains, 36 inches wide and 2 1/2 yards long. They are of fine grade net with applique borders. Ivory shade. A pair... \$4.50
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Drano, for cleaning sinks, per tin	30c
Nonsuch Stove Polish, per bottle	17c
Shirriff's Orange Marmalade, 4s, per tin	51c
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Marshmallow Whip, per tin	22c
Desiccated Coconut, per lb.	18c
1/2-lb. Valencia Shelled Almonds	All for
1/2-lb. Shelled Walnuts, white meat	58c
1 lb. Hallowi Dates	
Quaker Pumpkin, 2 1/2s, per tin	14c
Van Camp's Chili Con Carne, per tin	18c
Laurel Brand Refugee Beans, per tin	18c
Crab Meat, 1/2s, per tin	38c
Tox Soot Destroyer, per package	05c
Kelowna Honey, 4s, per tin	82c
China Preserved Ginger, per lb.	30c
Sugar House Molasses, 5s, per tin	34c
Ontario Honey, 2 1/2s, per tin	48c
Empress Mince-meat, quart jars, per jar	58c
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1 lb. Small White Beans	All for
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1 lbs. Marrowfat Peas	
1 lb. Barley	25c
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Oxo Cubes, small, 2 tins for	21c
1 bottle Bovril, 2-oz.	both for
1 lb. Spencer's Breakfast Blend Tea	85c
Snowflake Flour, 10s, per sack	47c
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Eddy's Red Bird Matches, 400s, per box	09c
Roman Meal, per package	32c
Spencer's Peanut Butter, per carton	20c
Lea and Perrin's Sauce, medium, per bottle, 32c	
Regal Salt, 2 cartons for	23c
Heinz Tomato Soup, 5 tins for	49c
1 lb. Tapioca	All for
1 lb. Sage	20c
1 lb. Japan Rice	
Heinz Baked Beans with tomato sauce, 3 tins for	31c
Heinz Cooked Spaghetti with cheese and tomato sauce, 3 tins for	35c
1 carton Almond Paste, 8-oz.	both for
1 carton Glace Cherries, 8-oz.	55c
Del Monte Prunes, 40-50s, 2-lb. cartons	29c
1 tin Empress Baking Powder, 12-oz.	both for
1 carton Empress Mince-meat, 1s	42c
Clark's Ox Tail or Vegetable Soup, per tin	12c
Libby's Homemade Style Pickles, per jar	30c
1-lb. Spencer's Best Coffee	both for \$1.00
2 tins Eagle Condensed Milk	
1 package Chipso, large	both for
1 bar Guest Ivory Soap	25c
1/2-lb. Spencer's Old Government Coffee	both for
2 tins Carnation Milk, small	35c
Swansdown Cake Flour, per carton	38c
Libby's Tomato Catsup, per bottle	20c
4 bars White Wonder Soap	both for
1 package Reckitt's Blue	25c
Saanich Clams, 1s, per tin	16c
King Oscar Sardines, 3 tins for	34c
Robin Hood Rapid Oats, per carton	20c
Quaker Oats with china, per package	37c
Sunlight Soap, 5 large bars for	25c
St. Charles's Milk, talls, 3 tins for	31c
1 package Sun-maid Seeded Raisins, 15-oz.	both for
1-package Sun-maid Puffed Raisins, 15-oz.	29c
Del Monte Yellow Free Peaches, 2s, 2 tins	37c
Five Roses Flour, 7s, per sack	38c
Good Cooking Onions, 6 lbs. for	15c
Ashcroft Potatoes, 6 lbs. for	15c
Singapore Pineapple, cubes, large tins	13c
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49-lb. sack.....	\$2.45	Ham Bologna, sliced, lb.....	19c
Triumph Brand Crab Meat, reg. 50c tin for.....	38c	New Reception Real Fruit Mince-meat, lb.....	20c
Robin Hood Rolled Oats, 20-lb. sack.....	95c	Standard Mince-meat, 2 lbs. 25c	
National Dog Biscuit, 2 lbs. 25c		Robinson's Glace Cherries, reg. 35c pkg. for.....	27c
Premium Unsweetened Chocolate, bar.....	22c	Ground Sweet Almonds, reg. 45c jar for.....	30c
Shelled Walnuts, light pieces, lb.....	40c	French Cream Candy, reg. 35c lb. for.....	25c
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THE SCHOOL AGE CHILD

When young son and daughter trot off to school the importance of their daily diet is paramount. Once the children are out from under the jurisdiction of the mother for the hours, and play out for the most of their time at home, the mother is apt to relax her vigilance over what they eat with the result that the five years of careful feeding is forgotten and the child thinks that now he can eat how and when he pleases. Too much munching between meals is the cause for many of the nutritional ailments of this period, especially when the child has pocket money and can buy candy when he pleases.

DIET FOR THIS PERIOD FIVE TO SIX YEARS

Breakfast: Cereal and cream, four to six tablespoonsful. Two or three slices of bacon or one egg. Buttered toast. Orange or grapefruit. Juice from

one whole orange or one-half grapefruit. Stewed fruits, prunes, apples, or baked apple.

One cup of milk, or cocoa made with milk.

Lunch: 1. Variety of vegetables with slice of buttered toast, whole wheat or graham bread with jelly. Milk to drink or cup of cocoa.

2. Rice and tomatoes with slice of bacon. Cooky and glass of milk.

3. Fruit salad, whole wheat bread and butter, plain cake and milk.

4. Macaroni and cheese, slice of bacon. Milk to drink.

5. Cottage cheese, stewed fruit, milk to drink.

(These combinations are not arbitrary but merely suggestive.)

Dinner: Soup—Milk or vegetable or clear broth.

Meat—Lamb, beef, chicken or fish. Vegetables—Potato and one green vegetable (two to three table-spoons of latter). Or lettuce and vegetable salad.

Bread and butter.

Desserts—Any simple dessert, puddings (rice, cornstarch, bread, farina, gelatin, junket, custard), or stewed fruit and simple cake or cookies.

Glass of milk to drink.

When the child attends only the morning session of school the "dinner" is preferably served at night. When he attends both sessions he should have the lighter meal at noon and the dinner menu at 6 o'clock.

If he needs extra nourishment he may have a lunch after he comes from school, of fresh fruit and a piece of bread and jelly, or a glass of milk.

NO SUGAR

Never put sugar in prunes. If you cook them slowly they will be quite sweet enough without any sweetener. Prunes and apricots are delicious cooked together, and a few raisins thrown in for good measure add to the flavor.

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SOCIAL PERSONAL WOMEN'S AFFAIRS AND CLUB NEWS

POPE AGAIN TAKES STAND AGAINST WOMEN'S FASHIONS

Urges Catholic Men to Check "Ugly Catastrophic Tendency"

Rome, Dec. 14.—Pope Pius took the stand yesterday in the campaign against the increasing immorality in women's fashions constituted "an ugly, ruinous, catastrophic tendency which Catholic husbands, fathers and brothers should attempt to check at all costs."

The Pope was addressing 1,000 members of the Roman section of the Catholic Men's Association. Thanking his auditors for an expressed willingness to co-operate in the campaign against immoral and irreverent fashions, the pontiff solemnly asserted modern styles to be "irreverent to body and soul."

"There is a phrase in Holy writings," he said, "which touches the basis of the matter, a phrase which God puts in the mouth of a man when he makes him say 'Lord, save me from an irreverent and shameful soul.' This body is sacred because it was created by the hand of God, sacred because redeemed by God.

"Catholic men, perform a work not only Christian, but humanitarian in fighting against immoral fashions which constitute such an important matter nowadays. It is necessary that everyone who still has a sense of human nobility and dignity—not to mention Christian dignity—should agree and find a means of creating dams against a current so ugly and so ruinous and which carries so many catastrophes with it."

ENGLISH SOCIETY GIRL DISAPPEARS

Miss Una Crowe Missing; Mystery of Mrs. Christie Deepens

London, Dec. 14.—Another mysterious disappearance in England is reported. Miss Una Crowe, twenty-year-old daughter of the late Sir Eyre Crowe, Permanent Under-Secretary of the Foreign Office, disappeared last year, left home Saturday morning to visit a friend. Since then nothing has been heard from her.

Miss Crowe is said to have suffered from a nervous disorder since her father died.

The mystery of the whereabouts of Mrs. Una Christie, Christie, the novelist, who left the home of her husband, Colonel Archibald Christie of Sunningdale, Berks, and 10 o'clock Friday night, December 3, alone in her motor car remains unsolved.

Thousands of persons including detectives, eminent physicians and novelists are aiding in the search near the scene of her disappearance and where her automobile was found the next morning containing a suitcase with clothing and newspapers in it, but their work has gone for naught.

Friends of Mrs. Christie, assert that her home life was happy and some of them express the belief that she has been murdered.

The Westminster Gazette, however, asserts that before Mrs. Christie left home she wrote a letter to her husband which amounts to a tragic farewell message, indicating that the end had been reached, and that she was resolved to sacrifice everything, and commit some drastic act. It is said that this letter is in the hands of the police. In addition, it is understood that Mrs. Christie left a note for her husband, which was found in the event of her body being found.

At the time she left her home Colonel Christie said his wife for some time had been suffering from nervous prostration, adding "She was a very nervous case."

MENUS FOR THE FAMILY

By SISTER MARY

Breakfast—Baked pears, cereal, top milk, crisp broiled bacon, cream, potatoes, cinnamon toast, milk, coffee.

Luncheon—Tomato and barley soup, egg and lettuce sandwiches, molasses cookies, milk, tea.

Dinner—Meat loaf with tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, creamed turnips, celery, Parker House rolls, grape conserve, coconut cream pie, milk, coffee.

TOMATO AND BARLEY SOUP

One pint canned tomatoes, 4 cups boiling water, 1-2 cups pearl barley, 1-2 teaspoon pepper, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 large onion, 1-4 cup chopped celery, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon sugar.

Melt butter in kettle, add onion peeled and finely chopped an simmer over a low fire for five minutes. Add tomatoes, water, celery, barley, salt, pepper and sugar and cook two hours over a low fire. Serve without straining.

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Capt. and Mrs. MacGregor McIntosh have been spending a few days in Vancouver.

Mrs. R. W. Oliver of Montreal is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Cathers, 1939 Pemberton Road.

Mrs. J. H. Staveley of Gordon Head, and Mrs. Charles Darcus-Hodgday, are leaving by the R.M.S. Aorangi on Wednesday for Honolulu.

Mrs. C. B. Innes has returned to Victoria from Vancouver where she has been the guest of Mrs. W. O. Wolfenden for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Collin of Vancouver are spending some time in Victoria and are guests at the Balmoral Hotel.

Mr. Andrew Bechtel will leave tomorrow on the Aorangi for Honolulu and before returning to Victoria will visit Japan.

Dr. W. G. Wilson is expected home from Toronto this week. Rev. J. P. Williams, of Toronto, will be in charge of the Home Mission Society of the United Church of Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith, 22 Hampton Road, Saanich, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Anne Beckwith, to E. R. Callaghan of Victoria, B.C.

Major J. P. Hibben was the Bowling Club host at Burnside, Saturday evening. Six tables took part in the card games, the prizes being won by Mrs. Meulder, Mrs. D. Vallance, Mrs. Boston, Mr. Ivor Hancock and Mr. W. Washington. Next Saturday will be the last social of the year. Mr. and Mrs. A. Hallam will entertain and there will be special features in connection with the turkey distribution.

Miss Elsie Taylor entertained at bridge yesterday afternoon at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Taylor, Monterey Avenue, when her guests included Miss Helen MacKenzie, Mrs. C. G. Collier, the Misses Ruth and Anna McBride, Helen and Norma Macdonald, K. Clay, Mary Campbell, Annie Miller, Mrs. Ker, Mrs. Helen Ross, Mrs. Gillespie, Peggy Schofield and Helen Sutherland.

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ROYAL YEAST CAKES

CHLORINE EXPLOSION KILLED NINETEEN

Seventy Workmen Injured in Accident at St. Auburn, France

Digne, Department Basses Alpes, France, Dec. 14.—Nineteen men lost their lives, most of them being asphyxiated, as a result of the explosion of 20,000 kilograms of liquid chlorine in a factory at St. Auburn. Seventy men were injured, several of them seriously.

Those who met death included six Frenchmen. The remainder were Algerians, Russians and Portuguese.

A sudden rise in the temperature after an extremely cold spell is given as the cause of the explosion.

It is considered marvelous that more men were not asphyxiated as 100 of the 1,500 workers employed

were in the immediate vicinity of the tank when it burst.

Langford

Langford, Dec. 14.—Mrs. J. W. Jolley of Millstream Lodge who has been visiting her sister near Nanaimo, has returned home.

At a meeting of the school board held on Wednesday evening, the trustees decided to use a sum of money that has been earned in various ways towards purchasing books for the school library and to take advantage of the government's assistance towards the project.

CONVENTION INVITED

Nelson, Dec. 14.—A formal invitation to the Northwest Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs to meet in Nelson next Summer was extended last night by the City Council, which had been given to understand the organization would be in a receptive mood toward the invitation.

RUM INQUIRY IS HELD IN SEATTLE

Everett Municipal Authorities Accused; Seattle Police May Be Questioned

Seattle, Dec. 14.—To investigate accusations of connivance between high municipal authorities of Everett, Wash., and liquor law violators, a federal grand jury was called together here to-day. Reports were current that the inquiry would extend to the Seattle police department and the King County sheriff's office. In return for immunity from prosecution, important figures in Pacific Northwest rum-running had offered to testify.

Of thirty persons named by prohibition authorities as leaders in forming a liquor conspiracy in Everett, seven have been arrested, including Harry Brinkman, former head of the police dry squad in that city, and T. R. D. Headie, public safety commissioner there.

Victor Talking Machine Deal for \$40,000,000

E. R. Johnson's Enterprise Launched in 1894 and Survived Radio Competition

New York, Dec. 14.—The Victor Talking Machine Company, for many years a family-owned gold mine, is to be sold in a deal involving \$40,000,000. Eldridge R. Johnson, its founder and chief owner, announces. An option for purchase of Mr. Johnson's controlling stock interest has been taken by the Wall Street banking firm of Syper & Co. and J. and W. Seligman. They will pay \$115 a share for Mr. Johnson's 245,000 shares of common stock and make the same offer to minority shareholders. The company has 245,562 shares outstanding.

Although announcement has not yet been made, it is expected that ownership will be passed along to the public through sale of securities. If so, it will be the third conspicuously successful company to pass out of family ownership in the last few years, the others having been Dodge Brothers and the National Cash Register Company.

Mr. Johnson, nearing sixty, explained his decision to sell was influenced greatly by the condition of his health and his consequent desire to be relieved of business cares. The payment to him is estimated at \$25,000,000, but his fortune is probably far greater than this, huge sums having been received in Victor dividends. All of it has come from a business started thirty-two years ago on virtually no cash capital.

His son, Edward, then a penniless mechanic, became interested in the phonograph in the days when it was a squeaking toy exhibited at Coney Island. He worked briefly for a pioneer manufacturer, who failed and whose name has long since been forgotten; then conceived the improvement which "took the squeak" out of the machine.

He launched his own enterprise at Camden, N.J., which is still the home of the company, in 1894, and incorporated it seven years later. Thereafter the company's record was one of continuous and remarkable prosperity until 1924, when the company awoke to the realization that the popularity of radio broadcasting threatened its existence.

For the last two years Mr. Johnson has devoted his efforts to meeting the changed conditions imposed by radio and has brought the company through a trying period to the present largest business volume in its history. This has been accomplished by discarding the old machine at tremendous cost and developing a new and greatly improved instrument with the technical aid of the Western Electric Company.

HUGE DIVIDENDS PAID
By 1912 Victor's trademark—the little dog listening to "His Master's Voice"—was known throughout the world and the company was paying 20 per cent. a year in dividends. In several years thereafter the amount was 50 per cent. or more. In 1918 it was 80 per cent. In 1922 a stock dividend of 600 per cent. was paid and the new shares placed on an 8 per cent. basis annually.

The company was not only a source of wealth for the Johnson family but also for the world's greatest singers and musicians, who looked to its banner on exclusive and long term contracts. In 1921 and 1922 royalties to the estate of Enrico Caruso, who was its "best seller," amounted to \$555,727. In his lifetime Caruso's Victor records usually ranged from \$50,000 to \$70,000 a year. Many other artists drew royalties of \$25,000 a year or more.

The competition radio was acknowledged in June last year when directors of the company omitted the 2 per cent. quarterly dividend then due. The company already had tried to benefit from radio indirectly. For the purpose of advertising its records it put its greatest stars on the air late in 1924, providing the first outstanding radio concert.

SOLD COMBINATION INSTRUMENT
Its next move was to contract with the Radio Corporation of America for inclusion of receiving sets in a combination victrola-radio receiver. Late last year it introduced the orthophonic victrola, perfected instrument. Then it brought out the electrola, and finally, through adoption of some radio principles, a new electrically recorded record.

The writing off of expenses incident to production of the new machines resulted in a deficit of \$4,855,728 for 1925. But the company is now reported to be operating on a highly profitable basis. Its stock, listed upon the New York Curb Market, sold at a record high of 12 1/2 yesterday, as compared with the year's low of 68. The high price was equivalent to \$72 a share for the old Victor stock prior to the 1922 stock dividend.

The purchasers of the company announced they would continue the present management and personnel, as well as the standards of the company's products.

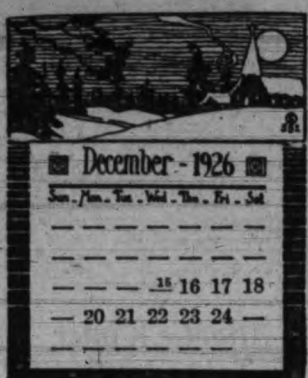
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Genuine Velour Hats in all new shapes. Medium and high crowns. Shown in all colors and black. These are wonderful values and have been greatly reduced for Wednesday morning. Special at \$3.95. —Second Floor, H.B.C.

Indian-made Moccasins

See these attractive gift slippers offering a wide range of shades, beautifully beaded, soft wool lining and fur trimmed. Each pair packed in appropriate gift box. Children's sizes. Per pair \$1.25. Women's sizes. Per pair \$2.00 and \$2.50. Men's sizes. Per pair \$2.00. Make your selections early. —Second Floor, H.B.C.

Half-day Grocery Specials

New Consignment of Hudson's Bay Company's Special Breakfast Tea On Sale Wednesday Morning Only. Per lb. 49¢. H.B.C. Mocha and Java Blend Pure Freshly Ground Coffee. Wednesday Morning Only. Per lb. 59¢. Anchor Brand New Zealand Creamery Butter, finest possible quality. Wednesday Morning Only. Per lb. 49¢. 3 lbs. for \$1.45. St. Ivel's Old English Plum Puddings, made from a famous recipe and packed in decorated bowls. Each \$1.00, \$1.35, \$1.75 and \$2.00. Crosse and Blackwell's Imported Soup including Ox Tail (thick or clear), Julienne, Chicken Broth and Hare Soup. Per tin at 50¢.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Finest Japanese Oranges, per box at 85¢. Choice Red Emperor Grapes, per lb. 20¢. Good Quality Greening Apples, excellent for mince and cooking purposes. Per box \$1.25. Local Root Artichokes, 4 lbs. 25¢. —Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES

Cowan's Circus Wagons, containing chocolate animals, each at 10¢. Pascal's Candy Stores, containing chocolate cigar, cigarettes and matches. Special at 10¢. Pascal's Chocolate Balls, each 25¢. Pascal's Candy Stores, all with novel fittings. Each \$1.10, \$2.00, \$3.25 and \$5.00. Fancy Christmas Mixtures, per lb. 25¢, 30¢, 40¢ and 50¢. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Wednesday Morning

Specials in Fresh Meats

500 lbs. Prime Rib Roast, per lb. at 10¢. Beef Tripe, 3 lbs. for 25¢. Stew Beef, per lb. 15¢. Liver, 2 lbs. for 25¢. Beef Hearts, each 25¢. Stewing Steak, per lb. 15¢. Pot Roast, per lb. 12 1/2¢ and 15¢. Thick Rib, per lb. 17¢. Plate Beef, per lb. 10¢ and 12 1/2¢. Corned Silverides, per lb. 23¢. Sirloin Roast, per lb. 25¢. T Bone Roast, per lb. 25¢. Wing Loin Roast, per lb. 23¢. Spouse's Mild Kippers, 2 lbs. 25¢. Haddock, per lb. 20¢. Golden Ray Fillets, per lb. 25¢. —Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Women's and Misses' Fur-trimmed Coats, Values to \$29.50 for \$12.95
Smart coats made from all wool velour and fully lined, also new styles in fancy tweeds and plaids. Have collars of Arctic hare, thibet and moufflon. New colors, smart mixtures and shadow plaids; sizes 16 to 40. Special at \$12.95. —Second Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Umbrellas, 98c
Serviceable Cotton Covered Umbrellas, mounted on strong frames, novel painted handles. Finished with silk cord loop. Special at, each 98c. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Children's Rubber Aprons at Very Low Prices
Dainty styles trimmed with novelty pockets, two-tone shirrings and nursery rhymes. Choose from peach, green, grey, royal and cherry. Prices 29¢, 49¢, 59¢, 69¢ to \$1.25. —Second Floor, H.B.C.



Women's Rayon Silk Hose
3 Pairs in a Gift Box, \$1.29

Serviceable Rayon Silk Hose with seam at back of leg, lisle hemmed tops, reinforced at heels and toes. Shown in white, harvest, atmosphere, sunburn, shell, champagne, wood-rose and black; sizes at, 45c. 3 Pairs for \$1.29. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Bath Towel Sets
Values to \$7.95 for \$5.95
High-grade bath sets consisting of one bath mat, two bath towels, two guest towels and two wash cloths. Shown in novelty colored effects of blue, rose, green and helio; values to \$7.95. Special at, per set, \$5.95.

Fancy Turkish Towels
Shown in plain and jacquard weaves, finished with colored ends in blue, orange, helio and pink. Price, each, at 69¢. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Embroidered Pillow Cases
\$1.35 a Pair
Made from linen finished cotton and neatly embroidered in many charming designs. Boxed for Christmas giving. Per pair \$1.35. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Give Her a Bissell's
A Bissell's Carpet Sweeper is a great convenience and time saver in any home, and few gifts would be more appreciated. Order one now and let us deliver it for Christmas. Mahogany finished case and fully guaranteed. Price only \$4.75. —Third Floor, H.B.C.



Half-day Specials in the Drug Section

TOILETRY SPECIALS
Travelettes, 4 items, 33¢. La Belle Toilet Lotion, \$1.75 value \$1.29. Pond's Cold or Vanishing Cream with a Bottle of Hind's Honey and Almond Cream; 65c value 50¢. Powder Puffs, assorted tints, 2 for 47¢. Porhan's Tooth Paste, 60c value 50¢. Pebecco Tooth Paste, 50c value 34¢. Solid Brillantine, jars, 45¢. Lavender Water, wicker bottles 48¢. Piver's Face Powder, \$1.00 value 79¢. Shaving Mirrors, heavy glass, easel stand. Special, each 84¢. —Drugs, Main Floor, H.B.C.

Broadcloth Overblouses
Special, \$1.98
Tailored styles in good quality broadcloth, high or pointed collars, tucked fronts and long sleeves. Shown in, \$1.98. tan and white. Special at, \$1.98. —Second Floor, H.B.C.

Toytown Specials for Half-day Shoppers

Toy Garages
Complete with open and closed car. Special at 59¢.
Games
A large assortment, including Steeplechase, Tiddley Winks, Snakes and Ladders, etc. Special at 19¢.
Trains
Set consists of engine, tender, two cars and four-piece circular track. Special at 59¢.
Painting and Drawing Sets
Consisting of book, paints and brush; regular 75c. Special at 59¢. —Third Floor, H.B.C.

Novelty Flowers Reduced
Dainty Flowers for wearing on dress, fur or coat, in assorted colors. Neatly boxed for Christmas giving; regular 75c and \$1.00. Special at 59¢ and 79¢. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

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Heavy Crepe de Chine \$1.88 a Yard
Pure silk crepe de Chine in a weight for dresses. Colors include rose, jade, maize, pink, sky, mauve, sand, copen, powder, antique, torreador, Nile, coral, peach, navy, brown and ivory; also black; 38-inches wide. Per yard \$1.88. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

100 Pairs White Pure Wool Scotch Blankets
Woven from thoroughly scoured yarns with that soft lofty pile so much desired. Finished with blue borders.

Size 66x90-inch. Per pair	Size 68x94-inch. Per pair
\$10.95	\$12.50
Size 72x90-inch. Per pair	Size 80x100-inch. Per pair
\$13.95	\$16.00

—Main Floor, H.B.C.



Gifts for Men

Bow Tie and Handkerchief Sets
A new shipment just opened up. Shown in many new novelty designs and ideal for young fellows. Bow tie and handkerchief to match. Neatly boxed. Price \$1.00.
Novelty Tie and Handkerchief Sets
A useful and inexpensive gift for any man. Many new colors and designs to choose from. All in neat gift boxes. Price \$1.50.
Lined Tan Cape Gloves
Serviceable wearing tan cape gloves with warm fleece lining. Finished with one fastener. Just 300 pairs to sell in sizes 7 1/4 to 10 1/4. Per pair \$1.75.
Men's Mufflers
Knitted rayon mufflers in smart color effects. Also all wool Scotch flannel in a wide variety of shades. Price \$1.75.
Boxed Handkerchiefs
Fine Irish linen handkerchiefs with woven colored borders. Three in calendar box. Priced at 89¢. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Warm Dressing Gowns, Special, \$4.89
Made from serviceable Lawrence robing, roll collar finished with neat cord edging, silk cord girdle. Shown in cherry, brown, grey and mauve with conventional design in contrasting colors. Special \$4.89. —Second Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Crepe Dressing Jackets, \$2.25
Useful garments in good quality cotton crepe, trimmed with shirred satin ribbon. Shown in peach, orchid, cherry and copen. Priced at \$2.25. —Second Floor, H.B.C.

A Special in Crepe de Chine Scarves
Heavy quality crepe de Chine scarves with hemstitched borders. Shown in black, white, peach and mauve; also with contrasting stenciled ends; regular \$1.75. Special at, each \$1.29. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Gift Clocks Reduced for Half-day Selling
Novel shaped clocks in ivory, gilt and silver; also, imitation marble. Have clear white dial. Good timekeepers. Special at each \$1.59. —Main Floor, H.B.C.

Framed Pictures, 49c
A picture is always an acceptable gift. Make your selection from a card assortment offering at this low price. All good copies of famous paintings—polychrome frames. Special at 49¢. —Fourth Floor, H.B.C.

Remnants of Curtain Fabrics Half Price
Useful lengths of various fabrics, including velours, cretonnes, case-mint cloth, silks, etc. Useful for the home or for gift making. Wednesday Morning ... HALF PRICE.

Table Runners and Cushion Covers, 65c and 98c
Cretonne Table Covers in beautiful designs and colors. Ideal for card tables; size 32x36. Price 65¢. Will make most attractive and useful gifts. Shown in a variety of styles and colors. Special at 98¢. —Third Floor, H.B.C.

Black Sheepskin Door Mats \$5.95
Genuine sheepskin door mats in black only. Excellent quality and ideal for any room. Price \$5.95.

Congoleum and Certainteed Rugs
Special at \$7.75
Cork base rugs for any room in the home. Splendid wearing and easy to keep clean; size 6x9. Special at, each \$7.75. —Third Floor, H.B.C.

Gift Specials in Electrical Goods

Aluminum Coffee Percolators
Globe shape, five-cup size; regular \$2.95. Special at \$2.49.
Seven-cup size, regular \$3.95. Special at \$3.25.
Electric Coffee Percolators
Five-cup size with paneled sides, fitted with silk covered cord; regular \$2.95. Special at \$2.49.
Electric Waffle Irons
Heavily nickel-plated; regular \$17.50. Special at \$13.95.
Electric Table Grills
Comprising two saucepans and fry pan, will grill, fry, boil or make toast. Fitted with three-heat switch; all heavily nickel-plated; regular \$16.95. Special at \$13.95.
Electric Lunchettes
Fitted with two pans, will cook an entire breakfast at one operation; regular \$2.95. Special at \$2.49. —Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Gift Offerings in China Section

Fruit or Berry Sets
Hand-painted fancy china, set consists of six saucers and bowl. Prices \$1.95 and \$2.49. —Third Floor, H.B.C.

Fancy China Baked Bowls
In two pretty lustre designs, blue with rose spray or buff with yellow and black flower. Price \$1.25.
English China Cups and Saucers
In pretty floral decorations, some with Crown Derby colorings. Price \$2.49 to \$3.49.
Cut Glass Baked Bowls
In lustre design and painted flower or cut star effect. Price \$2.49 to \$3.49. —Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

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MADISON DELAYED BY ROUGH WEATHER

American Mail Line Steamship Docked Last Night Seventeen Hours Late

Brought 2,000 Tons of Cargo For Discharge Here; Big Shipment of Oranges

Encountering rough weather shortly after leaving Yokohama, the American Mail Line steamship President Madison was delayed seventeen hours in docking here at 10.30 o'clock last night.

Capt. Quinn reported that the Madison had made good time under adverse conditions.

On the last three days of the voyage good weather had prevailed. Aboard the liner was one of the largest cargoes consigned to Victoria this year.

Over 2,000 tons of freight, including 1,600 tons of Japanese oranges were unloaded here. As soon as the vessel was secured at the dock, the cargo was quickly moved to the wharf.

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HOT COFFEE AND SANDWICHES SERVED TO NIGHT WORKERS

Longshoremen working through the early hours of this morning unloading Japanese oranges from the liner President Madison received a most pleasant surprise at 2 o'clock when a taxi arrived with steaming coffee and sandwiches which were provided through the kindness of Rithet Consolidated Limited. Enough refreshments were supplied for 150 men and for over an hour there was a steady stream to the waiting room where the midnight lunch was served.

Customs and immigration officials and all the other people who happened to be on the docks at that time were served.

and Master Jack McGuire, A. G. Moore, W. H. Menzies, Miss Georgia Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, R. M. Roberg, E. B. Schoedack, L. A. Schloss, the Rev. George Villings and H. W. Win-stanley.

Grain Barges Are Ice-bound in Canal

Syracuse, N.Y., Dec. 14.—Sixty barges laden with more than \$1,000,000 worth of wheat, flax and barley are ice-bound in the state barge canal between Rome and Albany and face destruction or serious damage unless immediate steps are taken for their relief, William Acheson, division engineer, stated yesterday.

SEATTLE SHIPPING

Seattle, Dec. 14.—A stiff northerly gale prevailing over the North Pacific delayed the arrival of vessels here yesterday. The coastwise liner H. P. Alexander reached Seattle three hours behind schedule. Overdue here, the French steamship Arkansas reported making only eight miles in forty-eight hours. Other vessels due yesterday and delayed until to-day are the Jacob Luckenbach, Alabama Maru and Northland.

Transfer of twelve fishing schooners and motor scows from the Sunnyside Packing Company and the Todd Packing Company to the Stewart Corporation of Ketchikan, Alaska, was announced here yesterday. The fisheries schooner Brumboil was sold by A. Strubstad of Tacoma to C. Blomquist of Ketchikan for \$18,000.

VESSEL MOVEMENTS

Melita at Southampton from St. John.

Sachem at Halifax from Liverpool.

Calumet at St. John, N.B., from Hamburg.

Canadian Raider at St. John, N.B., from London.

Lord Strathcona at Sydney, N.S., from Antwerp.

Government Ship To Search For Missing Vessel

Halifax, Dec. 14.—Search for the thirty-foot motor boat with five persons aboard, which set out from Mosher's River for Mill Cove, this county, a week ago last Sunday, and has not been seen since, will be started Wednesday by the Government steamer Lady Laurie, it is announced. The boat carried Maynard Boutilier, his wife and a son and daughter, aged fourteen years, and fifteen months respectively and Le-muel Jennings, owner of the craft.

They started on the afternoon of December 5 for Mill Cove, a distance of about 100 miles to the westward and throughout the following week heavy storms swept the coast. Hope is still entertained that the party sought shelter at some isolated point and have been unable to communicate with their friends.

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ALABAMA MARU, Japan and China, O.S.K., Pier 1, Rithet's Docks, December 30.

SHIPPING HEAD BACK FROM ORIENT

R. M. Roberg, Vice-President W. L. Comyn & Company, Arrived Last Night

Completing a business trip to the Orient in the interests of his company, Ralph M. Roberg, vice-president of W. L. Comyn & Company, well known Pacific Coast shipping concern, reached Victoria last night aboard the liner President Madison.

Mr. Roberg was met at the wharf by W. L. Comyn, who came over to Victoria from Seattle.

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PROMOTED IN C.P.R. SERVICE

General Agent of the Passenger Department of Canadian Pacific Steamships Limited, who has been appointed steamship general passenger agent with headquarters at Vancouver, the promotion to take place January 1. Mr. Forster will now have jurisdiction over steamship district passenger agents and steamship general agents of the company's offices at Victoria, Vancouver, Nelson, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

On Thursday the Tyndareus of the same service will depart for the Far East. It is expected the ship will arrive here early in the morning from Vancouver.

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SHIZUOKA MARU HERE ON THURSDAY

N.Y.K. Liner Will Reach William Head at 5 o'clock in the Afternoon

Sa. Shizuoka Maru, Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamship, will arrive at the William Head quarantine station at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the Orient, according to a wireless message received this morning by A. H. Webb, Victoria agent, from Capt. Teurubashi, master of the ship.

The ship is bringing 150 tons of cargo for discharge at Victoria, including eight bales of silk goods.

Passengers on board comprise two first and four third for this port and five first and seven third for Seattle.

Mail for Victoria amounts to twenty-five sacks.

PROTESILAUS IS EN ROUTE HERE

Blue Funnel Liner Will Arrive Here Dec. 21; Tyndareus Outbound on Thursday

With fifty tons of cargo for discharge at Victoria the Blue Funnel trans-Pacific steamship Protesilaus is due to arrive here from the Orient on December 21 according to word received this morning by Rithet Consolidated Limited, local agents.

The ship has seventy-eight Chinese for Canada, a number of whom will disembark here, and three Chinese for the United States.

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AORANGI WILL BE HELD FOR BAND

Motorship Will Sail From Victoria Late To-morrow Evening

In order to enable the Australian National Band to embark, the motorship Aorangi will be held over here to-morrow evening until about 11 o'clock. The vessel will arrive here about 5.30 o'clock from Vancouver.

The band is playing several concerts at the Crystal Garden to-morrow afternoon and evening.

Among the passengers sailing on the Aorangi will be J. C. Irons, British Columbia manager of the Canadian-Australasian Line.

Upon her arrival at Auckland the Aorangi will be held up for her first thorough overhaul. The next trip of the vessel will be taken by the steamer Tahiti.

SAN FRANCISCO SHIPPING

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The Matson freighter Manukai, which has been under charter to the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company for one trip to New York, arrived here yesterday after making a fast run from the Atlantic Coast. The vessel was damaged in a collision here October 25, but proceeded on her way after temporary repairs had been made. Bids for permanent repair work will be called for within a week, it was stated yesterday.

Changes Urged In British Laws For Labor Unions

London, Dec. 14.—Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a speech to the House of Commons, Epping District of Essex, declares the Government is making a searching review of the legal position of labor unions in Great Britain with the intention of introducing legislation on that subject.

"It is our duty to make sure the laws of Great Britain do justice to all classes," he says. "Privileges are sometimes allowed to numbers and survive, as long as they do not work serious public injury. When they are abused it becomes necessary to regulate matters accordingly."

The British Empire for some time to come is not likely to be weakened by any warlike assault from the outside, and it will certainly not be weakened by any constitutional assault between the Dominions and the Mother Country or between the Dominions themselves. It is here in the heart of the Empire the present danger threatens."

The Chancellor's letter was reference to the general strike of last May in Great Britain in sympathy with the coal miners' strike, which has resulted in a demand from those not in sympathy with the trades unions for a curtailment of the privilege in certain quarters they enjoy virtual immunity from punishment for actions for which other corporations or individuals would be prosecuted.

Notwithstanding Mr. Churchill's statement, it has been made plain the Government is anxious to avoid the appearance of acting vindictively against the labor unions as a result of the industrial warfare that has proved so costly for the country this year.

TRANS-PACIFIC MAILS

December, 1926

China and Japan

Empress of Russia—Dec. 4; mails close 5 p.m.; due at Yokohama Dec. 16, Shanghai Dec. 20, Hongkong Dec. 23.

President Grant—Dec. 12; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Yokohama Dec. 24, Shanghai Dec. 28, Hongkong Jan. 2.

Tyndareus—Dec. 16; mails close 12 noon; due at Yokohama Dec. 31; Hongkong Jan. 4.

London Maru—Dec. 17; mails close 11 p.m.; due at Yokohama Jan. 2, President Grant—Dec. 24; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Yokohama Jan. 6, Shanghai Jan. 10, Hongkong Jan. 13.

California Maru—Dec. 23; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Yokohama Jan. 15, Australia and New Zealand—Dec. 15; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Sydney Jan. 6.

Aorangi—Dec. 15; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Auckland Jan. 3, Sydney Jan. 8, Tahiti—Dec. 26; mails close 4 p.m.; due at Wellington Jan. 17.

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WINTER SCHEDULE TO GULF ISLAND POINTS

The steamer Otter leaves Belleville Street wharf every Monday and Wednesday at 7.15 a.m. and every Thursday at 8 a.m. for the Gulf Islands.

Also the Princess Royal leaves Victoria every Tuesday at 11 a.m. for Vancouver, calling at Port Washington, Ganges Harbor and Mayne Island en route. For further information phone 121 or 1270.

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Mr. Douglas Noseworthy, C.M.A., of the Alliance Tabernacle, Toronto, will preach in the King's Hall, 571 Yates Street, at 7:30 to-night.

J. J. Maloney of Hamilton, Ont., will speak to-night on the "Externals and Internals of Religion" in the King's Hall, Yates Street, at 8 o'clock.

The regular monthly meeting of the Victoria and Island Life Underwriters' Association was held at Spencer's dining-room to-day, at which twenty-four members sat down to luncheon, under the presidency of H. F. Shade. The nominating committee reported the following gentlemen for office in 1927: For president, J. R. B. More, Monarch Life; for vice-president, J. Sherratt, Manufacturers' Life; the secretary, In McMorris, Dominion Life; for treasurer, George Dyson, Sun Life. The annual meeting will be held on January 11, at which all members are requested to be present.



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NEWS IN BRIEF

Saanich Ward Two Liberals will meet in Tolmie School, Bolestin Road, on Friday evening December 17, at 7:45, to arrange for Liberal social and other business.

A meeting of the Royal Astronomical Society will be held on Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Girls' Central School, when an address will be given by Professor P. H. Elliott on "The Atom."

St. Alban's Ladies' Guild will hold a card party in St. Alban's Church Hall on Wednesday at 8:15 p.m. The guild will hold a short business meeting on Friday, December 17, at 2:30 o'clock.

Six tenders for the supply of 1,250 feet of 24-inch steel pipe for the Hillside main were laid before the City Council last night. They were referred to the city engineer and the purchasing agent for report.

The Real Estate Board of Victoria has announced that house agents will be held responsible for the properties in which they reside. The board asks that tenants, during the cold snap, use every precaution in preventing the freezing of pipes.

To-morrow evening at Metropolitan Church Rev. A. E. Johns, M.A., of Chengtu, China, will give an illustrated lecture on "My Trip Into Eastern Tibet and China As I See It." Mr. Johns has spent fifteen years as a missionary in Szechuan, China.

The meeting called for Saturday next in the Chamber of Commerce Auditorium, on behalf of the fruit growers on the Saanich peninsula, has been cancelled owing to the fact that the members of the three associations have unanimously agreed upon a joint policy.

Michael Nyngard, a German, was fined \$300 in the Courtenay Police Court to-day, being convicted on a charge of selling liquor at the Willows Hotel, Union Bay. Corporal Mathews and Constables Fenton and Gordon effected the arrest, headquarters announced this morning.

Members of the Naval Veterans' branch of the Canadian Legion requesting information cards to the Britannia Post dated December 23, can obtain same from Secretary Hadley, 99 Gore Road W. Nomination and election of officers will take place in the club rooms January 7.

Judgment of \$207 in favor of Ricardo Blanco and \$200 for his infant daughter, Angel, is given in a judgment handed down by His Honor Judge Lampan this morning. The judgment is on an action for \$1,000 damages lodged by Blanco against W. Nylander for damages to his car and injuries in an auto accident on Douglas and Hillside.

Togo Takashi, charged with assaulting a woman, Nora Gaudreau, was called before Magistrate Jay in the city police court to-day, but the case was dismissed, since the complainant failed to appear. The alleged trouble, police allege, arose out of an argument between the man and the woman, who was a patron of his cleaning establishment.

A demand for \$500 compensation for alleged wrongful treatment in which taxes paid by a claimant were cited as unpaid in the subject mortgage commitments, found the City Council in a Pacific mood last night. The whole claim will be investigated before any reply is made to the claimant, it was stated. The subject was referred for report.

By an adjustment of taxes the city secures the necessary Port Street strip for widening purposes in respect to the City Temple property at Port and St. Charles Streets, and a payment of \$1,000 in addition, the City Council learned last night. This settlement brings to a close negotiations with the owners, and secures for the city the necessary land to reserve for the widening plans at some future date. Other conditions are contained in the settlement, not affecting the main issue.

During the month of November Victoria had fifteen alarms of fire, in which \$1,744 was the total loss on buildings and contents, the city fire wardens reported to the council last night. This covers protection of property totalling well over \$30,000 on buildings alone. The department put in 152 regular drills, and made 337 inspections of business property. Last year Victoria's fire loss for twelve months was less than \$1 per capita. This year it will approximate the same figure, it is indicated.

An average of over 4,225 persons voted on each of the four divisions of the last election. It was shown in the report of Returning Officer William Scottcroft to the City Council last night. The new system evened out the distribution of the vote, and secured a poll on equal terms for all classes of candidates. It was shown, in other years, trustees and police commissioner candidates often went wanting because their booths were at the remote end of the polling premises. This year ratepayers received all ballots at once and found it as convenient to mark all as to mark one and leave the rest, as had been done in other years. Assured of the success of the new plan the city is now seeking ways of perfecting the system.

At a well-attended meeting of the Sons of England, Alexandra Lodge No. 116 on Thursday the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Past president, Bro. H. Watson; president, Bro. T. Hall; vice-president, Bro. G. W. Newbold; chaplain, Bro. D. Brown; secretary, Bro. J. Smith; treasurer, Bro. B. F. Shephard; surgeon, Bro. Dr. A. D. Bech; first guide, Bro. G. W. Carey; second guide, Bro. C. J. Shingleton; third guide, Bro. H. Jackson; fourth guide, Bro. C. Smith; fifth guide, Bro. G. W. Sharpe; sixth guide, Bro. J. Hetherington; inside guard, Bro. H. C. Lamer; outside guard, Bro. H. Hill; auditors, Brothers F. Rawnsley, T. Nute and W. Acton; trustees, Brothers R. Dinsdale and J. Baron; advisory board, Brothers J. Baron (P.P.), H. G. King (P.P.), H. H. Pearce (P.P.) and A. Wyman (P.P.). A good attendance of members from Lodge Pride of the Island No. 131 were welcome visitors, three of their number, Brothers Impett, Hill and Simpson, kindly acted as scrutineers. Refreshments were provided at the close of lodge, and Bro. H. Jackson won the turkey.

CHAMBER DESIRES SUSTAINING FUND

Has Splendid Record of Work For Victoria in Recent Years

In appealing for a sustaining fund for the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, which the managing secretary, George I. Warren, pointed out at the last meeting of directors, is operating on a smaller budget and with less support than similar bodies in cities of the same size, the activities of the Victoria Chamber in recent years are drawn attention to.

The list is as follows:
The construction of slips and lumber assembly plant at the Outer Docks.
Securing of Roger Pinneo in the service of the city for the development of the port.
Securing and carrying out details of the Pacific Foreign Trade Conference to be held in Victoria next year.
Preliminary efforts and negotiations with Valentine Quinn in regard to the erection of cold storage facilities and grain elevator at the Ogden Point Docks.
Securing the hard surfacing of the Island Highway from Colwood to Westholme.
Securing improved service between Victoria and the Gulf Islands.
Securing new service twice a week from Victoria to Texada Island.
Home Products Fair.
Assisted in staging the B.C. potato exhibition.
Staging of strawberry festival.
Negotiations under way towards the construction of a road up the West Coast of Vancouver Island.
Carried on negotiations with Sir Henry Thornton for grain elevator as a substitute for the bridge over the Selkirk water.
Secured data and now negotiating for interchanging switching connections between the two railways which will furnish facilities for increase of lumber manufacturing, and the industrial plants on the Songhees Reserve.

Membership meetings have been held as follows:
November 25, 1926—"Port and Industrial Development."
January 25, 1927—"Our Agricultural and Industrial Progress."
March 4, 1926—"Marketing Farm Products" and discussion re "Wednesday Half-Holiday."

July 8, 1926—Address by Dr. McLean on "Turnover Tax."
August 6, 1926—Address re "Citizens' Responsibility," by H. Culver.
September 3, 1926—Two addresses re "Co-operation of Puget Sound and B.C. Cities."

Firemen busy at night calls

Residence razed by flames
Despite fighters' efforts;
Chief Gives Warning

After sunset yesterday city firemen were four times called upon to extinguish outbreaks in various parts of the city.

In one instance a delayed alarm caused a fire to burn to the ground, despite the efforts of the firemen.

At about 5 o'clock in the evening a house belonging to H. R. Brown, on Hillview road, Smith's Hill, was noticed to be ablaze by persons of the locality and the alarm was sent to headquarters. Although the firemen responded promptly the delayed alarm gave the fire ample time to get a strong hold on the dwelling, which it consumed utterly. Only two smoke-blackened walls remained standing when the firemen finally left the place.

The house was valued at \$2,000, but was covered by insurance. The cause of fire is unknown.

At 7:40 o'clock, while the Smith's Hill fire was still smoldering, an alarm called the firemen to 1134 Catherine Street, the residence of M. P. Blair. There was a small fire there, the damage being slight. Quick action by the department prevented a spread of the flames.

At 5:55 a.m. to-day a chimney fire

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES AT TIA JUANA

First race—Four and one-half furlongs.

Second race—One and one-half furlongs.

Third race—Five and one-half furlongs.

Fourth race—One mile and seventy yards.

Fifth race—Six furlongs.

Sixth race—Six furlongs.

Seventh race—One mile.

Eighth race—Four and one-half furlongs.

Ninth race—One mile.

Tenth race—One mile.

Eleventh race—One mile.

Twelfth race—One mile.

GUNMAN'S VICTIM FIGHTING FOR LIFE

While Christian Knudsen, Hardwick Island logger, fights for his life in hospital, J. J. Sumpton, the man who is alleged to have shot him, is awaiting trial. At present he is charged with attempted murder. If Knudsen dies it will be different.

A month ago the two men quarreled. Sumpton is alleged to have shot Knudsen with a rifle. Knudsen walked home half a mile after the shooting. He is making a great fight for life, provincial police assert.

POLICE GET MANY CHINESE IN RAID IN NANAIMO HOUSE

Forty Chinese were to-day convicted and fined a total of \$800 when they were hauled before the police magistrate in Nanaimo charged with being found in a common gaming house. Headquarters received word of the case here this morning.

at 1124 Burdett Avenue called out the firemen. It was snowing slightly at that time. The fire was quickly extinguished.

A fire in the boiler room of the Standard Steam Laundry, View Street, caused from a pile of wood being left too close to the smoke stack, was dangerous, but quickly extinguished.

Chief Vernon Stewart warns the public that during the cold weather there should be no open fires. Stores of fuel should not be too close to the furnace, stove or grate. Much trouble and loss might thus be avoided, he said.

SUPERINTENDENT OF DOMINION BUREAU PASSES

Major L. F. Howard Succumbs Following Lingering Illness at Jubilee Hospital

The passing of Major L. F. Howard after a lingering illness, at the Jubilee Hospital this morning, removed a figure widely known in Western Canada.

The late Major Howard was western superintendent of the Employment Service of Canada, overseeing the agencies in the four western provinces, with headquarters at Winnipeg.

Major Howard came to Victoria in the closing weeks of November for his health. He had been under medical care in Winnipeg, and had come to coast to continue treatment. He underwent a major operation at the Jubilee Hospital, and appeared to be on the road to recovery. Later he suffered a relapse, the end coming shortly after 7 a.m. to-day.

So far as it is known here the late Major Howard was single, and is survived by both parents, a resident at Ottawa. Funeral arrangements will be announced later, though it is expected the remains will be taken to the East for interment.

LUMBERMEN LOOK FOR BETTER TIMES

Montreal, Dec. 14.—Frank admission that the year's conditions had been unsatisfactory, forecasts of reduced cuts and the closing down of mills and hopes for better things in 1927, marked the report of Claude Villiers, president of the Montreal Lumber Association Board of Trade, presented at the annual meeting held here.

During the past year the lumber trade in Eastern Canada, like last year, was unsatisfactory, stated Mr. Villiers. "The cut in the East was curtailed, but this was offset by an increased production in the West, particularly in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia."

Some of the candies were brandy flavored, some creme de mint, some Benedictine and some whiskey.

"What is your opinion of them. They are not dangerous, like the candies you read of in Chicago, are they?" asked the judge.

"Oh, no. They are good. They are safe," said the analyst.

On the figures of percentage of alcohol quoted by the analyst it would take four pounds of the candies to produce intoxication of an ordinary person based on the minimum amount to cause intoxication, four ounces.

Dr. E. C. Harrison, a witness by counsel for appellants, said: There was a distinct flavor of alcohol in the chocolates of the form according to how they were labeled. He had known this type of candy for many years. He would not class them as a beverage.

Answering Mr. Harrison witness said he did not know the kind of candy in this case was sold in England in licensed premises only.

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Witness said if he were making a rum-flavored candy, he would use the rum flavor previously referred to. "I would use some rum, too, because that is not strong enough, and too much flavoring is not good," said witness.

"You have to use some alcohol of the kind named to get the flavor," said witness. The Old Country being wet, the liquor as the candy indicated was used. There was no need to use flavoring.

Mr. Higgins submitted that the use of flavoring in the candies was purely a culinary purpose, as the use of brandy in brandy sauce or in a plum pudding.

RUM CANDIES MAY THREATEN LIQUOR ACT, SAYS COUNSEL

Easter Eggs Might be Used as Containers, Judge Informed

E. A. Morris's Appeal Heard in County Court This Morning

British Columbia's Liquor Control Act might be threatened if the sale of rum candies were permitted to continue, Claude L. Harrison, city prosecutor, declared before His Honor Judge Lampan this morning in arguing against the appeal of E. A. Morris Company, fined \$1,000 by Magistrate George Jay in the City Police Court for the sale of chocolates containing liquor.

Judgment was reserved.

The ruling of Chief Justice Hunter in Vancouver, on a stated case, that the Vancouver Police Court magistrate was wrong in convicting in a similar case on the mainland will be the subject of an appeal to be heard by the Court of Appeal sitting in Victoria in January. It was stated during the hearing this morning.

"IN EASTER EGGS"

Mr. Harrison argued that if the sale of liquor in candies in small quantities were allowed there would be nothing to prevent the sale of larger quantities. "An Easter egg, for instance, could hold a good quantity of liquor as some of them were made in very large sizes."

"An egg large enough would hold enough for a dinner party," commented the judge.

Mr. Harrison saw no reason why the sale of liquor should be permitted because it was sold in chocolates and argued that it was a small step to its sale in any other kind of container.

A. M. Johnson, K.C., watched the case for the Attorney-General's Department. Frank Higgins, K.C., and A. M. Harper, Vancouver, appeared for the E. A. Morris Company.

Nineteen boxes containing chocolates alleged to contain more than one per cent alcohol by weight were produced as exhibits. This admission would be made by the appellants, Mr. Harrison thought.

A number of capsules in the shape of liquor bottles were also produced. These were described by Mr. Higgins as liquor capsules.

"We do not admit they contain liquor. They contain syrup," said Mr. Higgins.

Chief John Fry told of securing the candy from Morris's store.

ANALYST ON STAND

D. E. Whittaker, Government analyst under the Liquor Control Act, reported on the results of analysis. They contained, he said, 4.44 per cent alcohol by weight, alcohol and liquor combined.

The analysis, cross-examined by Mr. Higgins, said he believed in the manufacture of the candies a syrup could be made distinct from the chocolate and then the syrup could be diluted with rum or whiskey. The syrup could then be poured into molds made of starch. The action of the starch on the syrup would cause crystallization.

There were all kinds of ingredients used in flavoring candy, witness said in his cross-examination, many of them containing a high percentage of alcohol as a solvent. He had once analyzed a lemon extract containing ninety-five per cent alcohol.

He recognized a concentrated rum flavor produced as one used for flavoring candies.

There was no doubt, the witness agreed, that the making of the chocolates was a culinary process.

Several of the chocolates were opened and the liquid was poured into a glass.

If flavoring were used in quantities in chocolates it would make them unpalatable, witness said in answer to Mr. Harrison.

"You could flavor a cake with a spoonful of lemon extract, but you would not want to drink a spoonful," said witness.

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that had the liquor been put through a culinary process this case it would have disappeared.

OBITUARY

The remains of the late George W. Tripp, who was found drowned at Kettle Bay, Vancouver, on Saturday morning, reached the city to-day, and are resting at the Thomson Funeral Home, where a strictly private service will be held on Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Clay officiating. The remains will be laid at rest in Rose Bay cemetery. The late Mr. Tripp was twenty-seven years of age, and leaves to mourn their loss his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Tripp, 174 Denman Street, and his sister, Mrs. R. O. McBurnie, of Seattle, and Miss Ruth Tripp, at home.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Amelia Florence McGregor, wife of William H. C. McGregor, 146 Clarence Street, took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Relatives and a large gathering of friends were in attendance and many beautiful flowers testified to the high respect in which the late Mrs. McGregor was held. The Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick officiated. The hymns sung were "Abide With Me," "Rock of Ages" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee." Messrs. J. W. de Haad, W. E. Ditchburn, H. Berill, T. U. Durrant, J. S. Brandon and Dr. Charles A. Kelley acted as pallbearers. The remains were laid to rest in the Ross Bay Cemetery.

The funeral of the late Joseph Smith, who passed away on December 8, took place yesterday morning at the Sands Funeral Chapel at 8:30 o'clock. At 9 o'clock mass was held at St. Andrew's Cathedral by Rev. Father Dealey. The pallbearers were E. Murray, P. Reece, T. O'Connell and M. Carlow. Interment was made at the Ross Bay Cemetery.

The death occurred on Sunday of Fong Ling San. Fong was seventy-five years of age and had been in the employ of J. S. H. Mason, Dunsmuir Road, for the last thirty-five years. He is survived by one cousin, Fong Tung, at Sidney. The funeral will take place from Sands Funeral Parlors on Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

The death occurred at Colquits yesterday of John William Gould, aged seventy-two years. The late Mr. Gould was born in Toronto, Ont., and had been a resident of Colquits for six years. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. E. M. Gould, and one son, Mr. J. W. Gould, and one sister in Vancouver. Funeral services will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel on Wednesday at 2 p.m. Rev. A. L. Nixon will officiate.

Private funeral services will be held at the Thomson Funeral Home, 1425 Quadra Street, to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock for the late Mrs. Edith Mary Bramble, who passed away on Sunday.

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away Sunday evening at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Rev. A. E. de la Nunn, rector of St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, will officiate, and interment will be made in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

ENGINEERING INSTITUTE

W. L. Ketchen, M.E.I.C., of Port Alice, Quatsino Sound, will lecture here on Wednesday, December 15, at 8:15, his subject being "The Manufacture of Sulphur Polp." The lecturer will describe the various processes of paper, and will illustrate with lantern slides. The meeting will be open to any one interested in paper manufacture.

The lecture will be given in room 311 Pemberton Building.

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Calgary Tigers Open Season At Edmonton By Fairly Easy Win

Outlast Eskimos and Come Out on Top 5-1; Captain "Spunk" Sparrow Shines

Regina Capitals and Moose Jaw in Hard Tussle, Former Winning 5-3

Edmonton, Dec. 14.—Showing superior finishing powers, the Calgary Tigers outlasted the Edmonton Eskimos in the opening game of the Prairie Hockey League here last night and chalked up a comparatively easy 5 to 1 victory.

The Eskimos held the visitors fairly well in the first period, but after the first few minutes of the second stanza were never in the picture. The Tigers had a decided margin in speed while their defence held better than that of the home talent. They were leading 1-0 at the close of first period; increased it to 3-1 in the second and added two more in the final twenty minutes without a comeback from the Eskimos. The veteran "Spunk" Sparrow was the pick of the visitors with Savage and Anderson also showing well.

SUMMARY
First period—1, Calgary, Martin from Savage, 11:25.

Second period—2, Edmonton, Morris, 2:00; 3, Calgary, Sparrow from Headley, 6:20; 4, Calgary, Savage from Anderson, 8:10.

Third period—5, Calgary, Huffman from Sparrow, 4:11; 6, Calgary, Anderson from Headley, 12:14.

Penalties—First period: None. Second period: Woods, Morris, McIntyre, Parrie. Third period: None.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 14.—In the best played game of the season here last night, Regina Capitals bested Moose Jaw in a Prairie Professional League game, 5 to 3. The game was replete with fast work and excellent combination by both teams. Though Moose Jaw started off by taking the first goal and retaining their lead throughout the first period, Regina outscored them in the second period to take a two-goal lead and thereafter scored goal for goal.

SUMMARY
First period—1, Moose Jaw, Rose, 12:00.

Second period—2, Regina, Acaster, 7:00; 3, Regina, Morrison, 9:30; 4, Regina, Acaster, 10:00.

Third period—5, Moose Jaw, Aubrey, 3:37; 6, Regina, Acaster, 4:38; 7, Moose Jaw, Connelly, 12:30; 8, Regina, Naimish, 12:57.

N.H.L. STANDINGS

CANADIAN DIVISION				
Team	P.W.	L.	T.	P.
Ottawa	5	3	0	1
N.Y. Americans	3	5	0	1
Montreal	1	4	0	1
St. Pat's	0	5	0	1

AMERICAN DIVISION				
Team	P.W.	L.	T.	P.
N.Y. Rangers	10	4	0	1
Chicago	8	4	0	1
Detroit	5	4	0	1
Pittsburgh	3	4	0	1
Boston	2	5	0	1

Inter-club Billiards

The results of the inter-club billiard matches played during the week ending December 11 are as follows:

"A" SECTION

Pro Patria vs. Garrison
Pro Patria—J. Waterman 91, A. Mudge 150, A. Murray 150, G. Burnett 150. Total 541.

Garrison—Q.M.S. Harper 150, Sgt. Murray 119, R.S.M. Toingman 131, C.S.M. Wood 131. Total 531.

Army and Navy vs. Veterans of France

Army and Navy—G. Gardner 150, W. S. Morris 150, L. N. Morton 105, P. Norton 116. Total 521.

Veterans—R. Robinson 16, B. Stephens 146, F. Orchard 150, S. Cakes 150. Total 532.

"B" SECTION

Pro Patria vs. Fifth Regiment
Pro Patria—R. C. Pemberton 109, R. Smith 150, J. Mout 135, P. Crouch 114. Total 508.

Fifth Regiment—Sgt. Elliott 150, Sgt. Anderson 67, Sgt. M.J. Hatcher 150, Sgt. Ward 150. Total 517.

Garrison vs. Veterans of France

Garrison—M. Gnr. Collings 131, Sgt. Wilcox 150, Q.M.S. Sampson 150, C.S.M. Gibson 150. Total 531.

Veterans—A. Colquhoun 150, T. Hodge 114, G. Farrell 122, G. Patterson 44. Total 430.

Britannia Post vs. Army and Navy

Britannia Post—T. Obee 150, F. C. Cook 150, J. Watts 150, J. Hall 115. Total 565.

Army and Navy—C. Jasper 127, W. Draper 145, E. E. Hardisty 97, A. H. Finlison 150. Total 519.

Boys Gets Lead in Vancouver Billiards

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—Hanging up three spectacular century breaks averaging better than 26, Sid Boys jumped into the lead in his 3,500-point challenge match with Jack McMillan here last night. He wiped out his 104-point deficit and finished the night's play 26 points to the good. He scored 140 points more than McMillan.

FRENCH PUGILIST KILLED IN FIRST BOUT IN THE U.S.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 14.—Charles Pegulian, French light heavyweight, died at St. Francis Hospital early today following his ring fight with Elmer Friedman of Boston at the State Armory last night. It was his first fight in this country. Friedman was held by the police. Friedman was charged with manslaughter when he was given a hearing before Judge Day in police court. The case was continued to December 23, pending an inquiry by Coroner Calhoun. Friedman was ordered held in bonds of \$1,000.

Pegulian, who was twenty-one years old, came to America early in September. The Hartford bout was his sixth professional engagement.

His father, Louis Pegulian, is proprietor of a gymnasium and swimming pool in Paris.

SPORT BRIEFS

"Big Bill" Tilden, although he lost his national singles title to Rene Lacoste of France, this year, appears slated to rank No. 1 on the American list for the seventh straight year. Any doubt on this score will be removed if the United States Lawn Tennis Association follows the decision of its executive committee not to rank Vincent Richards because he turned professional. Richards was the last surviving American in the national singles tournament, and might have merited No. 1 on that account, as well as the fact that he beat Tilden three times in four matches.

Man of War surpasses all other stallions in the money winning propensities of his offspring in 1926. The yearling foals of the New York Evening Post reveal. The super horse's sons and daughters won a total of \$434,412. E. R. Bradley's North Star III was next with \$251,923 and Wrack third with \$255,713. Peter Pan was fourth with \$242,552 and Fair Play, sire of Man of War, fifth, with \$241,963.

Willie Hoppe is grooming himself for a comeback to world's championship heights. The veteran billiard star, on recently exhibited back line form, may be established as the best player in the world by his performance in his match at New York, January 5, 6 and 7.

Gene Tunney is willing to part with a kiss for charity. After being "assaulted" \$25 for the Elks' Christmas bazaar fund at a "kiss" lodge, the heavyweight champion encountered a lady who offered to contribute \$5 herself in exchange for a kiss. Gene accepted.

Rogers Hornsby, playing manager of the world's champion St. Louis Cardinals, and Sam Breadon, club president, are "as far apart as the poles" on financial terms for 1927, to quote one authority at New York for the National League's annual meeting. Rogers is understood to desire a long term contract at a figure below that Babe Ruth has received, \$52,500.

The enterprising press agent's idea of having Paulino, the Spanish heavy weight boxer, give an exhibition of his native occupation of wood chopping would have been all right but for one thing after getting the "props" all ready and polishing up his favorite axe, Paulino and his companions searched in vain for even a limb that the law would permit to be cut down.

Bill Veek, president of the Chicago Cubs, is proud of the fact that his club is the only woman club secretary in the majors. She is Miss Margaret Donohue and has just been appointed to succeed John Sets, who will leave charge of the Cub park concessions hereafter.

"Impresario" says Bill Klem, veteran National League ballplayer, "unlike ball players and men in other pursuits, get better with age. It is a matter of experience." Klem, who will spend the winter vacationing at Miami Beach, Fla., has been in the majors twenty-two years.

Mermaids representing the Women's Swimming Association of New York, will splash in Bermuda waters for the next week or two. A group including Helen Meany, Agnes Geraghty and Martha Norriss, all holders of national championships, left yesterday to compete in the island's annual aquatic carnival.

Pennsylvania has a formidable freshman wrestler in Masuda, a 230-pound youth from Beirut, Syria, who has been topping all rivals in practice. He is a graduate of the American College in Asia Minor and has tremendous strength in his six feet three-inch frame.

Glenna Collett, former national women's golf champion, plans another invasion of Florida links this winter in an attempt to regain the southern laurels she was forced to relinquish last season to such rivals as Miss Virginia Van Wie, Miss Helen Payson and Mrs. Dorothy Klotz Pardue.

U.B.C. MAN STARS

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—Harry Warren, U.B.C.'s former track star and rugby star, and winner of the Rhodes Scholarship for 1926, cutting a wide swath at Queens College, Oxford, according to reports from England.

In a recent rugby game against Brasenose he gave a brilliant display on the wing, scoring four tries. Queens won 27-14.

As a result of this and other splendid performances, Harry has been chosen to play in the Oxford senior trials.

Bakers Have Chance To Get Out In Front In Wednesday Race

Meet Hudson's Bay at Beacon Hill To-morrow in Mid-week Soccer Fixture

Tillicums and Navy in Other Encounter at Royal Athletic Park

Despite the cold weather the Wednesday evening football teams will perform for soccer enthusiasts to-morrow. The fixtures scheduled are as follows:

Rennie and Taylors vs. Hudson's Bay at Beacon Hill Park.

Tillicums vs. Navy at Royal Athletic Park.

Kick-offs will be at 7:30 o'clock.

Most of the interest in to-morrow's games centres around the tussle between the Bays and Bakers at Beacon Hill. These two teams have been rivals in the mid-week race for the last two years and, although the Bakers did not show up as strong contenders in the first half of the league schedule, this year they are leading the way in the second half.

The outcome of the game will decide whether Rennie goes into an undisputed two-game lead or whether the Bays draw up on even terms. Both clubs will have their teams at full strength and a hot battle is expected.

BAKERS IN SHAPE

The Bakers, according to Manager Maxwell, are now in trim. They have topped their last two games with the Navy with ease and are set to include the Bays among their victims.

In the Bays' camp the goose hangs high. Last week the Tillicums defeated the ex-King George High School team of this city by a score of 9-1. The visitors scored 33 goals during the four games played on their trip and had only three scored against them.

The Port Arthur aggregation were much superior to their opponents both in the points of speed and combination. The game started out fast and except for a few short periods, was productive of good hockey. The locals only counter came half way through the final session after the visitors had netted three counters in each of the two preceding periods and had notched another just a minute before.

Chapman, playing on the left wing of the visiting team, was the best player on the ice.

Six penalties were handed out, but one to the Port Arthur players, with Gray getting a maximum penalty.

RETRIEVE HONORS

The Tillicums will go out to retrieve lost honors at the Royal Athletic Park against the Navy.

It was a hard game to lose against the Bays last week, they say, and they look to a win to-morrow to boost their average. Unless they win that game they will have practically no chance of coping the second half. In any event they will be in the play-off for the title.

The Navy are fighting an up-hill battle. They seldom win but are always game to go the limit to accomplish a victory. The last game in which they encountered the Tillicums was one of the toughest of the first half and they will try to give the common enemy such a battle.

Some of to-morrow's teams will be:

Hudson's Bay—Gillam; Armstrong and Gardner; Mercer, Smith and Clark; Addie, Fish, Robertson, Blair and Collier. Reserves, Kerchin and Gibb.

Rennie and Taylors—Lomas; Gilbert and Newman; McKinnon, Tupper and Stewart; Taylor, Field, Jeffries, Speak and Davies. Reserve, Sewell.

Disbanded Canadian Collieries' Players Not Yet Signed up

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—So far no club has secured any of the players of the disbanded Canadian Collieries soccer team. There were eight on the roster when the club finished operations and they applied to be declared free agents.

Apparently there is no rule which provides for these players to be made free agents, but according to Secretary Johnston of the British Columbia Football Association, the Dominion Football Association handed down a rule a few years ago allowing for the players of a disbanded club to be placed on an open-transfer list and that special dispensation may be granted where the transfer list has closed.

The transfer list for British Columbia closed on November 30 and the players concerned will need to apply for the special privileges when they desire to join another club.

Rugby Squad From Stanford May Play Game in Victoria

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—With the prospects of a continuation of the cold spell, the Vancouver Rugby Union executive at their regular weekly meeting Monday night decided to take steps to protect the oval at Brockton Point for the holiday series with the Stanford team and appointed President Dick Bell-Irving and Jim Scott to lead the field covered with straw and rolled. No further word from the Californians has been received and the Union is making preparations for the series will make arrangements for the visitors to play one game in Victoria and also to provide for a basketball game with one of the leading local squads.

Writing to the officer of the Pacific Coast Football League to stage a benefit at Athletic Park on Saturday for the family of the late Captain Peter Murray, no game will be played at Brockton Point this week.

Bucky Harris, returning from his honeymoon, says Evers is not yet ready for his league baseball. The same is undoubtedly true of Boston and Philadelphia.

Closing Date For Jackson Cup Deferred Till Dec. 20

Entries for the Jackson Cup Football Competition have been deferred one week, according to an announcement by Art Stokes, the secretary, this morning. The closing date has now been definitely set for Monday, December 20. The reason given for the advancement of the date is that some of the Wednesday League teams wish to enter the competition and on this league is not yet affiliated with the B.C.F.A. the teams are ineligible for the contest. It is, however, stated that the league will affiliate with the B.C. body this week and the mid-week teams will then be able to send in their entries. Those teams wish to enter are requested to communicate with Art Stokes, 3223 Quadra Street, or telephone 77143.

PACIFIC COAST FIXTURE

Saturday's soccer programme has a First Division Pacific Coast League game carded. This will bring the highly touted Westminster United Eleven to town to meet Victoria City. This game is expected to be one of the great drawing cards of the season. After Victoria City's showing against the Davenport two weeks ago, their stock went up considerably and the fans are looking for a good game against the United. The fame of the latter is well known here and their performance against the "rep" team on Thanksgiving Day was splendid. The game will be played at the Royal Athletic with the kick-off at 2:30 o'clock.

The only other senior game will be a hang-over of the P.C.F.L. second division. The Wests and James Island will meet at Beacon Hill in a previously postponed encounter.

The Victoria City team will hold a meeting in the Army and Navy Veterans' rooms at 8 o'clock to-night.

Port Arthur Scored Thirty-three Goals During Recent Tour

Only Three Were Scored Against Them; Beat Ex-King George 9-1 Last Night

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First period—1, Port Arthur, Chapman, 3:25; 2, Port Arthur, L'Heureux, 4:35; 3, Port Arthur, Chapman from Gray, 15.

Second period—4, Port Arthur,

Windsor Hornets Win in Overtime

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 14.—A long, tricky shot by Andy Bellemer from near centre gave Windsor Hornets a 2-2 verdict over Hamilton Tigers after one minute of overtime in a Canadian Hockey League fixture here last night.

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Pictorial Golf Instruction

By H. B. MARTIN
LEFT HAND FIRST

START THE CLUB BACK WITH THE HANDS LEADING THE CLUBHEAD

THIS INSURES THE PROPER SNAP OF THE WRISTS AT THE IMPACT



LEFT HAND FURNISHES THE POWER IN THE BACK SWING

Most golfers start the back swing by shoving the clubhead back. If one is a stiff arm driver one should change this quickly and let the hands go back, first dragging the clubhead with them.

This will give one the idea of the importance of the supple wrist so essential in hitting the ball. The wrists at the impact are just the reverse as they lead the clubhead to the ball. Here is where the right hand asserts itself just as the left hand has asserted itself in starting the club back. This should explain to the beginner what wrist action means.

George Duncan told me three years ago that no one could hope to drive satisfactorily unless they started the club back by moving the hands first. A slow movie of Joe Kirkwood shows that he takes the hands back quite a way before the clubhead starts.

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Bill Carrigan Will Help Fill Place Of Cobb and Speaker

Former Backstop and Manager of Boston Americans Welcomed Back to Game

Broke in With Red Sox in 1906; Manager in 1913 and Won Two World Series

(By BILLY EVANS)

As Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker pass out of the American League it is pleasing to note the return of Bill Carrigan.

Carrigan brings back some of the color and prestige that is lost through the departure of the greatest outfielders baseball will ever see.

Well do I recall Bill Carrigan as he reported to the Boston Red Sox for a few days in the Fall of 1906. He came direct from Holy Cross. Rather awkward in style and lacking experience, Bill didn't create much of an impression.

He was sent to Toronto of the International League in 1907 to polish off the rough edges. One year in the minors and he came back to the big show a mighty good catcher.

WON TWO SERIES

Breaking in behind the bat for the Boston Americans was a tough job with the great Lou Criger as first string backstop.

Criger, the veteran of many campaigns, was slipping, however, and the youthful Carrigan came in fast. In a few years he proved his all-round ability and became the first string catcher when Criger was sent to St. Louis.

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CARPET BOWLING

The standing of clubs in the Capital City and District Carpet Bowling League at the end of the first month

FIRST DIVISION
Teams P. W. L. F. A. P.
Willows B. 4 3 1 80 51 6
Sanah 4 3 1 80 51 6
Willows C. 4 3 1 69 51 6
St. John's 4 3 1 69 51 6
St. Mark's B. 4 3 1 69 51 6
St. John's A. 4 3 1 69 51 6
Burnside 4 3 1 69 51 6
Imperial 4 3 1 69 51 6

SECOND DIVISION
Teams P. W. L. F. A. P.
Willows D. 4 3 1 65 37 6
St. John's C. 4 3 1 65 37 6
St. Mark's A. 4 3 1 65 37 6
St. John's B. 4 3 1 65 37 6
C. S. Ramblers 4 3 1 65 37 6
Lake Hill 4 3 1 65 37 6

St. Mark's "B" team defeated St. John's by 18-13 in the game played at St. Mark's last night.

The teams were:
St. Mark's—Boulter, Fisher, Rodgers, Goodwin, skip.
St. John's—Wilson Chadwick, Meadows, Hawkes, skip.

Tothill Leading Newman in \$1,000 Challenge Match

Toronto, Dec. 14.—The first session of the \$1,000 Challenge English billiard match between Stanley Newman of London, England, and Tom Tothill, champion of the North of England, took place here yesterday before a large crowd.

Play was dull in the afternoon, but brightened up considerably in the evening. Newman's best break was 160, while Tothill's best was 157.

Scores at the end of the day:
Tothill, 1,323. Newman, 935. Play will be resumed to-day.

Golf Semi-final at Cedar Hill Course

AT THE THEATRES

HUMOR OF NAVY
LIFE DEPICTED IN
DOMINION FEATURE

Believing their superb performances in "Behind the Front," Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton march to victory in their latest Paramount co-starring comedy, "We're in the Navy Now," which came to the Dominion Theatre last night. "We're in the Navy Now" is the most truthful, ex-cruelating funny tale of the war yet portrayed on any screen and the enjoyment evidenced by opening night moviegoers established new laugh records.

PLAYHOUSE

PROFIT NIGHT TO-NIGHT

Reginald Hinks Presents

"THE NEW
MINISTER"

Screen

Richard Barthelmess
in "Ransom's Folly"Prices: Night, 25c and 50c;
Matinee, 10c and 25c

Where to Go To-night

Capitol—"The Blonde Saint," Columbia—"Eve's Leaves," Dominion—"We're in the Navy Now," Coliseum—"Some Baby," Playhouse—"The New Minister," Crystal Garden—Dancing and swimming.

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Iron telegraph posts were bent double during a recent severe storm in Australia.

COLUMBIA

"Eve's Leaves"

With LEATRICE JOY

A Delightful Entertaining Comedy-Drama

EXTRA—Official Films of

TUNNEY-DEMPSEY

FIGHT

Ed. Holloway at the Orchestral Organ

Evening, 25c and 50c; Children, 10c. Matinee, 15c

CAPITOL

USUAL PRICES

Alone on a far-off island of hating men . . . would she learn to love her deliverer?—or keep on hating her betrayer? For the answer to this romantic riddle, see

SAM E. RORR'S PRODUCTION

"The Blonde Saint"

WITH LEWIS STONE and DORIS KENYON

FOX NEWS CAPITOL COMEDY PATHE REVIEW

WATCH OUT FOR THE BIG CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME!

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3 NIGHTS BEGINNING Thursday, Dec. 16

Matinee 2.30, Evening 8.30. Seat Sale Now On.

Popular Price Matinee Saturday

Edward D. Smith Presents

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Pauline Frederick

(Herself)

In the Brilliant Society Comedy

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By W. Somerset Maugham, Author of "Rain"

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"Lady Frederick is tremendously clever."—Portland Telegraph.
"A gem, with its emerald rays shedding purest joy."—Pauline Frederick—Portland News.

PRICES—Night—Lower Floor, \$2.75, \$2.20, Balcony, \$1.65, \$1.10, 85c, 55c. Matinee—Lower Floor, \$1.65, Balcony, \$1.10, 85c, 55c. Prices include Tax.

AUSTRALIAN
NATIONAL BAND

Wednesday—Two Concerts

Farewell appearance before sailing for Australia by Ss. Aorangi. Tickets on sale at Fletcher Bros. and at Crystal Garden.

CRYSTAL GARDEN

LEWIS STONE IS
CAPITOL'S STAR
HERE THIS WEEK

Without a bobbed hair flapper, a cabaret, jazz band or a taxicab, "The Blonde Saint" is proving the belief of Sam E. Rorr, the producer, that the public is fed up with so-called "1926 jazz" photo-plays.

"The Blonde Saint," a romantic adventure with Lewis Stone and Doris Kenyon, is at the Capitol Theatre, and critics agree that both Mr. Stone and Miss Kenyon have proven themselves real stars of the screen in portraying difficult roles.

Mr. Stone is cast as Sebastian Maure, a novelist, and Miss Kenyon is Anne Bellamy, whose Puritan ideas on life in general have earned her the nickname of "The Blonde Saint."

Interwoven is the romantic adventure of the novelist and the blonde saint in the love affair of Pannia and Annibale, the young Sicilians, on "The Isle of Life," just off the coast of Sicily. Pannia is Ann Rorr and Gilbert Roland is Annibale.

Italian gardens, Sicilian fishing village, a mountain-villa and the ruins of a pagan temple are the principal scenes.

BARTHELMESS HAS
LITTLE DAUGHTER
TO VISIT STUDIO

Little three-year-old Mary Hay Barthelmess is having the time of her life in Hollywood, these days, according to reports from the Coast, where her father, Richard Barthelmess, has just completed "Ransom's Folly" for First National.

Accompanied by a nurse, the little starlet crossed the country from New York, where she has lived hitherto. She told friends that the Hollywood climate is quite up to expectations and that she doesn't miss the gaiety of Bright Broadway the merest morsel bit.

Barthelmess purchased a young and lively Scotch terrier named Sniffer to be a playmate. The star's own pet, a Great Dane, is too husky for little Mary.

Barthelmess furnished a nursery for his daughter within sight of his dressing room door at the Marshall Neilan studios. The dressing room, by the way, is an interesting place, and Dick proudly shows it to all and sundry, explaining he will shortly have it decorated in man's style. At the Playhouse all week.

DOMINION

Now Playing—Usual Prices

It was only a child's sweetheart.

HARRY LANGDON COMEDY

"HORACE GREELY JR."

Dominion News

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CONVENIENT AND

PAULINE FREDERICK
HAS PRETTY HELPERMiss Delamere is Playing
"Rose" in "Lady Frederick"
This Week

The pretty Rose, in "Lady Frederick," will be presented at the Royal Victoria Theatre Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 16, 17 and 18, with a Saturday matinee, by Pauline Frederick and her company of English players, is a charming English girl, Margaret Delamere. Of delightful personality, clever in her work and possessing unusual intelligence, Miss Delamere is on the high road to success in her chosen profession of acting.

"I was born not far from London and educated in a convent school," says Miss Delamere. "My parents had no particular career mapped out for me but, having attended a number of performances in the big town, I felt that my vocation was on the stage. I came by the taste naturally, also, for my father was a playwright and had a number of his plays produced by London managers. Of course, the drama was discussed almost constantly at home and I was familiar with the stage and all pertaining to it. My father did not like the idea of my going on the stage. He would have preferred to have me remain at home. As we could not agree, he finally consented and I was given a part in a big production at Drury Lane. Later I went into repertory, stock, they call it out here, and remained there for two years. Then I was engaged by the British Film Company, which sent me to Java, to the Society Islands, New Zealand and Australia, where we made various pictures. We went back to England and from there I came to Hollywood to work in the pictures there. When Mr. Smith was producing "Lady Frederick," I presented myself for the part of Rose and he gave it to me. I have been one of Miss Frederick's admirers for years and now am delighted to be with her here in this play."

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FILM TELLS STORY
OF CHINA BANDITS
AND HIGH ROMANCE

To be captured by a Chinese bandit and carried away to his almost impregnable stronghold, but from which she escapes at the risk of her life, is only one of a series of highly dramatic scenes in "Eve's Leaves," which is the big feature at the Columbia Theatre. This is a high-grade photoplay produced by Paul Sloane under the personal supervision of Cecil B. De Mille.

In this excellent story, based upon a successful stage play and written by Elmer Harris, Miss Joy has the role of a tomboy in trousers who lives with her father aboard a schooner, where she has been a schoolmate of a Chinese girl. She is of a romantic turn of mind and dreams constantly of love. She meets

3,000
EX-STUDENTS
WANT WORK

Opportunity for Local People to Assist

How many times have you asked yourself "What is my boy going to do when he leaves school?"

The latest report shows that there were 97,954 children in attendance at British Columbia schools last year. 4,587 of these were attending High School, and it is reasonable to suppose that one-third of this number would be leaving school and entering into the commercial and industrial life of the Province during the year. This means that work must be found for about 2,660 boys and girls of various ages from fifteen to nineteen. And this number increases every year, making it absolutely necessary for the business of the country to increase if it is to absorb the natural increase in population.

Your children are your greatest assets and your country's greatest wealth. Anything you can do to realize on these assets, to keep them where they will produce the greatest measure of benefit both for you and British Columbia will be to your mutual advantage.

Additional work will be created by expanding our industries; our industries will expand only by increasing the sale of their products; this depends upon your willingness to buy them.

If you insist on being supplied with British Columbia goods the children who finish their education each year will easily be taken of and British Columbia, after paying the expense of their education, will reap the benefit.

The Province of British Columbia spent \$3,329,098 on education last year and it would seem to be good business on the part of our citizens to do everything in their power to make B.C. a place worth while working in as well as a place worth while being educated in.

Forcing our school and college graduates to look for employment in foreign countries is worse than deliberately sending several million dollars' worth of business out of the country.

Let us capitalize our greatest asset—the growing generation—by buying British Columbia goods, first, last and all the time. The farmer and manufacturer produce them; the wholesaler and retailer stock them; it is up to you to demand them.

ARENA
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Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday Nights at 8.15 o'clock (With Band). Admission 50c. Every Afternoon at 4 o'clock, Except Monday (No Band). Admission 25c. Children 15c.

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AT PLAYHOUSE

Richard Barthelmess
in "Ransom's Folly"

Bob Britton, a role in the capable hands of William Boyd, and manages to shanghai him and carry him aboard the schooner. Chang Fang, a Chinese bandit, played by Walter Long, raids the village and taking possession of the schooner, makes both the girl and the man she loves his prisoners.

Both are carried to Chang's stronghold and the bandit chief makes a desperate escape to the tomboy, whom he arrays in the finest of Chinese gowns. When matters reach a critical stage, Eve Macey, who proves herself to be a brave, resourceful girl, manages to escape her sweetheart. Then comes a surprising climax which the picture will reveal. The supporting cast is quite capable. It includes besides those mentioned, Robert Eddon, Richard Carle, Arthur Hoyt and others. The settings are beautiful and there is much wholesome comedy. The action is dramatic and swift.

"SOME BABY" AT
COLISEUM IS MOST
LAUGHABLE FARCE

More hitting melodies, Coliseum girls in snappy costumes and one of the funniest farces ever written make this week's bill, "Some Baby," a bright successor to the show which last week inaugurated the new policy of musical productions at the Government Street Theatre. It's a kind of monkey gland-idea, an old man gets a passion for a flapper, and to win her decides to take treatment out of a bottle to make him young again. His friends, who last see him with "The Elxix," are naturally amazed when they find a baby on the floor playing with the empty bottle. The play which is a long laugh right through, has a number of catchy songs and melodies and the girls of the beauty chorus are doing their stuff.

APPEARS TO-MORROW
WITH FAMOUS BAND

ALFRED H. PAXTON

Among the leading cornet soloists with the Australian National Band is Mr. Paxton. As assistant to Arthur Stender, and soloist in selections, he stands alone.

Probably no player to-day has such brilliant executive ability as Alf. Paxton. As solo cornetist for the Malvern Tramways Band, he established a reputation for himself in Australia and New Zealand that will never be effaced. It has been freely stated by the press of the various countries where the band has been sent—no head-in-the-world-to-day has such a team of solo cornets: Arthur Stender, Alf. Paxton, "Scotty" Armour and Harold Collins.

WINNIPEG DEATH

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—Isaac R. Brigham, old-timer of the prairies, who served with distinction under Col. Ross Steele of the Lord Strathcona Horse in the Boer War and rendered the British Government valuable service in installing numerous sawmills in Great Britain during the Boer War, died here yesterday. About two weeks ago he came from Moosemin, Sask., to Winnipeg for medical treatment and entered a hospital. His case was hopeless, however, and he died. He was in his sixty-ninth year.

MAN LOST LIFE

Calgary, Dec. 14.—Louis LaValley, cook employed near Keith, Alberta, died at a coyote out-of an upper window of the ranch house last night and was killed when the rifle exploded and threw the bolt back against his face. He died in a hospital here three hours after the accident.

TRAIN KILLED MAN

Edmonton, Dec. 14.—John G. Miller, sixty, was instantly killed yesterday when the sleigh he was driving was struck by a C.P.R. passenger train south of Millet.

PIONEER HOSTEL
PASSES TO CITYDallas Hotel, Vacant, Falls
Into City Ownership, Council
Is ToldChurch Lands Exemptions
Are Growing

The Dallas Hotel, one time hotel known from San Francisco to Nome as among—Victoria's leading guest houses, has passed into city hands. In a communication from the City Lands Commissioner last night the council was informed that the historic old property had reverted. The premises are insured for \$20,000.

There was need, said Commissioner Kirkpatrick-Crockett, of a caretaker who would look after the building and prevent pillage. Plate glass and other articles of value should be boarded up, and the property put in shape to stand a winter's sleep. No details were given to the Council of how the property fell into city hands, though it was inferred that this came to pass through tax sale.

WIDELY KNOWN

In other years the Dallas Hotel was a widely-known hostelry with a large number of resident guests, and a frequent calling place for visitors journeying in the city, en route to other parts. Then it fell on poorer days, losing its former trade and subsiding through numerous changes of control. Lately the building, facing the Outer Docks and a splendid view of the open Straits, has lain idle.

Two sales of land were reported by the city lands committee last night, one a semi-business property on Broughton Street west of Quadra, and the other a lot in an outlying part of the city.

EXEMPTED LANDS

Also affecting the lands department was a reference from the Council asking a report on church properties and leasehold properties used for church purposes. Of recent years several parcels of land in the immediate business section have passed in one form or another into church use. This means exemption from taxation, and to a degree that is now securing council attention by way of analysis and report.

Islands

GALIANO

Galiano Island, Dec. 14.—A splendid concert was given in the hall by Mrs. Warr and Miss Dorothy Hicks of Victoria and Miss Ida New of Galiano Island. O. New played violin solos. The hall, which was prettily decorated, was crowded. All the performers were encored many times. After the entertainment a delicious supper was served by Mrs. Lord and Mrs. Hardy. Dancing was then enjoyed.

The following is the list of pupils in the school here in order of merit: Grade VII, Ronald Per, Grade VI, Rosamund Murcheson, Nora Shopland, Kenneth Page, Betty Lord, Douglas York, Nigel Morgan was absent on account of illness; Grade V, Barbara Twiss, Grade IV, Finlay Murcheson, Edwin Hambrick, Edwin Morgan; Grade III, Dorothy Patience, Angus Murcheson, Richard Morgan; Grade II, Lilian Moir, Leslie Page, Myrtle Hambrick, Colin Murcheson, Robert Lee.

Tony Bellhouse, who has been at Powell River, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller Higgs were recent visitors in Sidney for the marriage of their son to Miss Smith.

Mrs. Warr and Miss Hicks of Victoria were recent guests of Mrs. New.

MAYNE

The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. Houlgate. Those present were Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Maude, Mrs. West, Mrs. Rawlings and Mrs. Coates.

The school children are very busy at present rehearsing the programme to be given on Wednesday, December 15.

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I was badly ruptured while lifting a trunk several years ago. Doctors said my only hope of recovery was an operation. Trusses did me no good. Finally I got hold of something that quickly and completely healed my rupture. Years have passed and the rupture has never returned, although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There is no operation, no lost time, no trouble. I have nothing to sell, but will give full information about how you may have complete recovery without operation, if you write to me, Eugene M. Pullen, Carpenter, 577 N. Marcellus Avenue, Manassas, N.J. Better cut out this notice and show it to any others who are ruptured—you may save a life or at least stop the misery of rupture and the worry and danger of an operation.
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Man Was Murdered
In South Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 14.—The bullet-riddled and partly burned body of a man about thirty-five years old, found on a lonely prairie in the South Chicago Heights district yesterday, remained unidentified to-day. From papers found on the body, the police believe it may be that of a man of the name of C. Moran, who had been living at a hotel in Gary, Indiana.

"I Can Now Do My Work
Without Feeling Tired"

Mrs. Thally, St. Paul, Alta., writes—
"For two years I suffered from pain in the back. For three months I could not walk. The doctor told me I had severe kidney trouble, and that it would take a long time to get better. I tried everything I could get, but was not improving. Then I saw Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills advertised in your Almanac. I tried one box, and they did me good, so I took six, and in less than a month I was feeling fine and could do my work."

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THE MAN THE WOMEN LOVED

BY RUBY M. AYRES

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Isabel never moved. She had lost color a little, but her eyes had not faded.

"Well, good night," she said, and left them.

John's sister! John's sister!

All the way home the words danced fantastically before his eyes. John's sister would marry him if he wanted her, and with her money they could keep on his old home and prosper. John's sister! They had always been good friends, but except for that he had never given her a serious thought. Isabel as his wife!

"No, no—a thousand times no!"

He spoke the words unconsciously as he strode along through the darkness.

What good was he to any woman? He thought of Dorothy's flower-like face. A year ago he would have sold his soul for her, and to-night he was only glad that she had so deliberately put an end to the relationship between them.

He had loved many women, or thought that he loved them, but he knew now that then all there was only one who could ever hold him fast by her youth and honesty, and above all by the cleanness of her heart and soul—Mollie!

And she—a child, that was all; a child who would forget him before another year had sped.

Patrick Heffron woke on the morning of his last day in England with a sense of impending calamity.

It was a dull grey morning, with a chill feeling of rain in the air as he opened his window and looked out on to the tangled garden. A little sparrow, his feathers blown into dishevelment by the cold wind, sat on a bare lilac branch, chirping with a sort of persistent optimism, and to Heffron's overstrung imagination there seemed a look of reproach in the little creature's beady eyes as it considered him for an instant. Tiny head on one side, before it flew away.

It seemed as if the silent old house and the gardens with their moss-grown paths and untidy beds were reproaching him too for running away and leaving them to decay, or to a new owner, when he might have stayed.

It was strange how he had been tempted during that last week to throw everything to the four winds and marry Isabel Morland. After all, she liked him, and he would be decent to her, and her money attracted him when he thought of the old house and all he could do for it.

But it was too late now. His heavy luggage had been sent down to the docks days ago, and there was only one small hold-all left to carry with him when presently he walked out of the house.

Last night he had dined at the Morlands'. John had insisted, and Dorothy and Isabel and Mollie Dawe had all been there, and a young couple, with early Victorian convictions and the nicest eyes, which had hardly been taken from Mollie's face, and Mrs. Morland, and Dorothy, very little altered from the days when he had sent for Patrick to come to his study, whence he had been expelled from school. Expelled for kissing Dorothy! The ghost of a smile crossed Patrick's set face as he glanced from her to his father.

How great a distance they had traveled since then! A distance which seemed all the more unreal and incredible when, after dinner, John's mother insisted on bringing the baby down.

A warm protesting bundle wrapped in an expensive shawl had for an agonizing second been put into Heffron's arms, and above the fair fluffy head—which could only have belonged to Dorothy's son, he had met her eyes. Then for a flashing instant he had fancied that he saw the old passionate love reflected there—and had tried not to see it, and Mollie had cried out indignantly: "Poor darling! How can you hold him so uncomfortably, Mr. Heffron. Give him to me."

And she had taken Patrick John Morland from him, and cuddled him into her arms, kissing his little face and baby curls.

Altogether he had been thankful when the evening was at an end. "I refuse to say goodbye to you," so John's mother said. "As you're so much nicer, because somehow I feel sure that we shall all be seeing you again soon."

Patrick laughed and shook his head. "I don't think you will. Remember I stayed away ten years before."

"But things are different now," she insisted.

Then there was Isabel. She had given him her cool, firm hand to clasp and had looked steadily into his eyes.

"Write to me if you care to. And come to see me when you return."

And Dorothy! Either she or Mollie had arranged it so that for a moment they were alone in the dark porch of the house, and he had bidden goodbye to her as calmly as he could, and she had not even given him her hand until just as he was turning away, when he cried out his name in a broken whisper, and then, before he could prevent it, she was clinging to him, and whispering tragically:

"Kiss me before you go—please kiss me."

Patrick did not like to think of that moment. It left him with a sick, cold feeling round his heart and a sense of nerveless impotence through all his body.

And Mollie! He had walked home with Mollie and the curate with the nice eyes, and the curate had chatted all the way in his nice voice about the parish which he was in before, and he people he had known there, till Patrick felt that he could have picked him up with pleasure and thrown him over the hedge into a field. But fortunately the curate's lodgings were reached before the vicarage, and they left him there, and he and Mollie walked the rest of the way together, more slowly, and Mollie said with a determined effort at cheerfulness:

"I shan't say goodbye, because I'm coming to see you off in the morning."

And Heffron said hurriedly: "No, no, don't do that."

And when she had asked waveringly, "Why not? Don't you want me to?" only his heart had answered her:

"It's because I want you to no much."

And then they reached the vicarage gates, and for some minutes they stood talking in desultory fashion, until at last Mollie said:

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Wiggily's bungalow—Baby Bunty used to say:

"What is in that closet that Uncle Wiggily doesn't want us to go near it? What is in it?"

"Tush!" Jangle would say.

"Don't dare even to peek through the keyhole!" warned Custer.

So Baby Bunty didn't, though she very much wondered.

What's that? Will I tell you what was in the secret closet? Excuse me, but certainly not! I wouldn't dream of such a thing! It is the secret of Uncle Wiggily and his wife, and—oh—Toll you after Christmas! Oh, perhaps I might, or even on Christmas Eve. We shall see.

Anyhow, there was the closet under the stairs, and the door was locked, and whenever Baby Bunty passed it she walked on her tiptoes, wondering if she could hear any noise. But she never did, until one day. But let me tell it from the beginning.

Though none of the little bunny children were allowed to look into or go near the secret closet, Uncle Wiggily himself, or his wife, often opened the door at night, when the children were asleep, and peered within. Then the rabbit gentleman would say:

"I hope they will like them!" And his wife would say:

"Oh, they can't help it! They are just darling, I think!"

Now, tut, tut! There is no use asking me! I am not going to tell you the secret. But about Baby Bunty—Oh, yes. Well, one evening, when it was almost time to go to bed, Baby Bunty happened to be playing with a rubber ball. It pounced out of her paws and rolled toward the secret closet under the stairs.

Baby Bunty hopped after her toy and, picking it up near the door of the secret closet, the little rabbit girl heard a queer sound. It was a ticking, ticking sort of noise and at once Bunty ran to the other boys and girls and whispered:

"Oh, I know what's in the secret closet!"

"What?" asked a Jangle.

"If you know you mustn't tell!" warned Jangle. "It is so near Christmas that we ought to be very good and not snoop."

"I wasn't snooping!" declared Bunty. "I was just getting my ball and I heard in the closet a noise like—"

But before Bunty could say what she heard, there was another sort of noise in the bungalow. It was a snarling, barking, growling sort of noise and Nurse Jane Fussy Wussy cried:

"Oh, the Wolf is in! The Woolie Wolf is in! Somebody left the door open and the Wolf is in!"

Uncle Wiggily, who was reading his evening paper, rushed from the library with three jumps to drive the Wolf away. The chap was standing close to the secret closet and all of a sudden there came from it a loud bawling noise: "Boom!" like that.

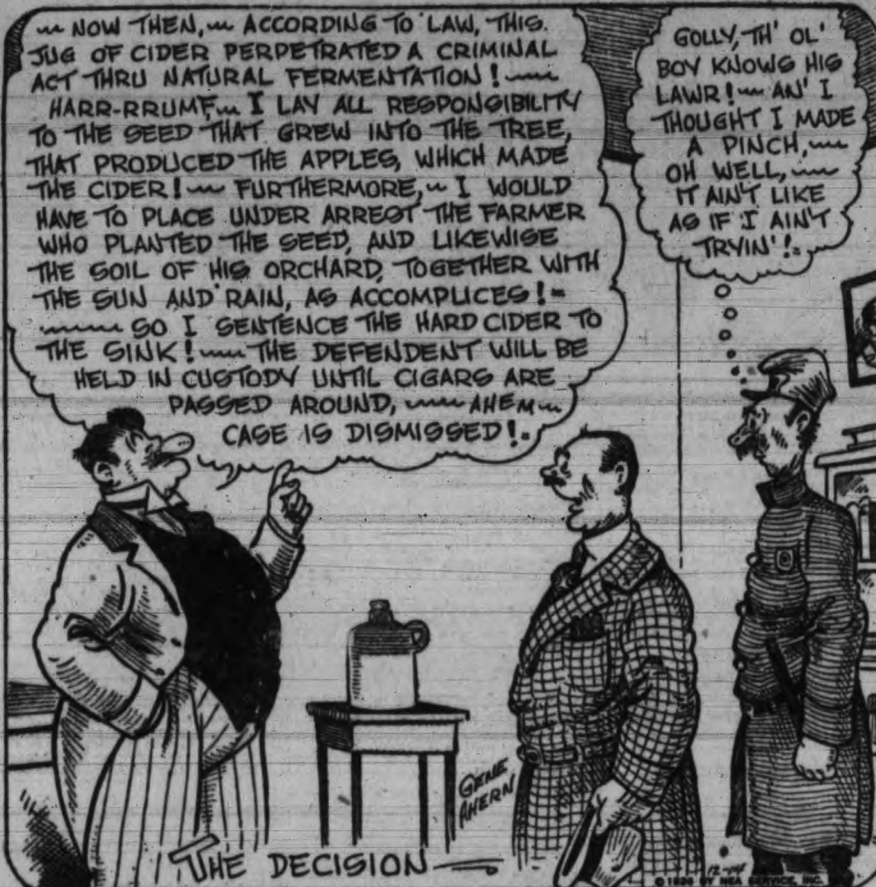
"Oh, there must be some soldiers in that closet with their guns and they are shooting at me!" howled the Wolf. "I came in to pibble some ears, but another time will do as well. I don't want to be shot!" And away ran the Wolf.

Uncle Wiggily went back to his paper, never opening the closet door to see what made the booming noise. And when the little bunnies asked Baby Bunty if that was the noise she heard, she said:

"It's a secret closet and I'd better not say what kind of a noise I heard in it. It wasn't that kind. It was more like—"

And then, for fear it might slip out of her, Baby Bunty put her paws over her lips and all the little ones hopped up to bed. So the secret of the closet was still safe. And if the letter man will bring home a piece of Swiss cheese full of holes for the goldfish to jump through, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily fixing the fire.

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BEDTIME STORY

Uncle Wiggily's Secret Closet

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By HOWARD R. GARIS

Under the stairs in the hollow stump bungalow where Uncle Wiggily lived was a secret closet. Around Christmas time this closet was more secret than during the remainder of the year, and none of the forty-seven little rabbit children (forty-two counting Baby Bunty) none of them was allowed to go near this place under the stairs.

At other times during the year Jangle and Jangle, Tingle and Tangle and Buster and Custer might play in the secret closet as much as they pleased. Often they did, having such games in it as Pina, Robby Baron, and Charcoal, Charcoal Put Me in a Dark Hole.

But about two weeks before Christmas Uncle Wiggily, or Mrs. Uncle Wiggily, his wife, would lock the secret closet and they would say:

"Keep away from it now, my dears!"

You may be sure the rabbit children obeyed, though Baby Bunty, who was really only a visitor in Uncle

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Jupiter and the Sun are in benefic
aspect to-day, according to astrology,
which finds conditions fairly favor-
able to most activities on the planet,
Earth.

They who delay not in all impor-
tant matters will benefit greatly if
they make the most of to-day.

Promoters and salesmen should
profit by this away which encourages
confidence in all who are approached.
Under this planetary rule it is

held lucky to seek employment or to
ask for promotion.

Congressmen and others in public
life should benefit under this plan-
etary government, which seems to
promise new leaders in both houses.

Bankers now come under a direc-
tion of the stars which is most favor-
able to ambitious enterprises.

Women as well as men are to profit
greatly from financial projects of
gigantic scope, it is prophesied.

One of the stars prophesies that
wealth is to be found in waste ev-
erywhere in America and predicts
that some one will discover this fact.

All the signs appear to presage
a violent reaction in fashions and
customs from the reign of extreme
freedom that has prevailed since the
war.

Religion will occupy more at-
tention than at any time since 1917 and
while there is to be a return to the
churches there will also be conflict
among the various sects, it is pre-
sented.

This is a lucky day for the bestowal
of presents and it may be wise to
anticipate Christmas in special cases.
Where unusual joy is desired for the
donor.

There appears to be a fairly good
aspect for the holidays, but many
persons may be expected in January.
Persons whose birthdate it is have
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Dated September 25, 1926.

NOTICE

Private Bills

NOTICE is hereby given that the time
limited by the Rules of the House for re-
ceiving petitions will expire on Monday,
the 15th day of December 1926. Private
Bills must be presented to the House on
or before Thursday, the 8th day of Janu-
ary, 1927. Reports from Standing or
Select Committees on Private Bills must
be received on or before Thursday, the
15th day of January, 1927.

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THOSE CADETS!

Has a
royal heart been added to Cupid's
long West Point casualty list?
They say that when Princess
Heanna sailed for Roumania her
thoughts were less on Bucharest
than on the turreted academy
buildings which from down upon
the Hudson River. It's there
that she met William J. Glas-
gow of Washington, honor man
of his class, who is here ex-
clusively pictured in fencing
togs. She went driving with him
and then before she sailed she
had him brought down to New
York for a little lunch for two.

MUTT AND JEFF

MUTT'S OWED ME A
BUCK FOR OVER TWO
YEARS AND I'M
GOING IN AND
DEMAND IT RIGHT
NOW!

SAY, OVER TWO YEARS
AGO YOU BORROWED
A DOLLAR FROM ME
AND I WANT IT
RIGHT NOW. GET
ME? RIGHT NOW!

WHY, JEFF,
YOU
SURPRISE
ME!

DO YOU REALIZE I
HAD TO GET ON BENDED
KNEE AND PLEAD WITH
YOU FOR FOUR HOURS
BEFORE YOU'D LOOSEN
UP WITH THAT BUCK?

BUT
MUTT—

I SWEATED BLOOD BEFORE I
GOT IT! YOUR OBSTINACY
CAUSED ME TO WASTE TWO
DOLLAR WORTH OF MY VALUABLE
TIME JUST TO BORROW ONE BUCK!
I EARNED THAT DOLLAR! AREN'T
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5-5 p.m.—Broadcast from the
CFQC (410.7) Vancouver, B.C.
10.30-11.30 p.m.—Dr. McKee.

KQBC (411) Vancouver, B.C.
6.10-6.15 p.m.—Time signals.
6.15-6.20 p.m.—Announcements, etc.
6.20-7.30 p.m.—Everyday, hour
of music sponsored by the Canadian Na-
tional Carbon Co.

CJON (281) Vancouver, B.C.
6.7-7.10 p.m.—Dinette Theatre pro-
gramme.

CNRV (281) Vancouver, B.C.
9 p.m.—Studio programme.

10 p.m.—Programme of popular dance
music by the Cabaret Belmoult orches-
tra, playing direct from the Rose Room
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KFOA (454.5) Seattle, Wash.
7-7.30 p.m.—Atwater-Kent Boys, chil-
dren's programme, simultaneous broad-
cast KFOA and KJRH.

7.45-8.15 p.m.—Flora Co. Inc. pre-
sents Eva Gonnella and Grace Wilson.
8.15-8.30 p.m.—Seattle Tent and
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KFON (224) Long Beach, Cal.
8 p.m.—Organ recital from State
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8.30 p.m.—KFOR concert orchestra.
8.30-9 p.m.—Studio programme.

9 p.m.—Chat for Booklovers.
9-9.30 p.m.—Press-Telegram musical
programme.

9.30-10 p.m.—Gould Family orchestra
and Capitol Theatre organ.

10.30-12 p.m.—Dinette Theatre presents
Fantasia vaudeville.

KFWB (252) Hollywood, Cal.
8.10 p.m.—Programme of vocal and
orchestral music.

8.10 p.m.—Bill Hatch's orchestra and
artists.

10.10-11 p.m.—Warner Bros. frolic.
KGO (381.5) Oakland, Cal.
6.55-7.10 p.m.—Close stock reports.
8 p.m.—Everyday programme.

8 p.m.—Surprise broadcast.
KOW (401) Portland, Ore.
7 p.m.—Children's programme, by the
Atwater-Kent Boys, "Doug" and Fred
Richardson, broadcast simultaneously
with KFOA, Seattle.

8-8.10 p.m.—Educational programme,
with music by the Alicia McElroy
string quartette.

10-12 p.m.—Herman Kenin's dance
orchestra and intermission piano solos
by Curt Kramer.

7.30 p.m.—Children's hour.
7.45 p.m.—H. M. Robertson will talk
on dogs.

10-11 p.m.—Dance orchestra.
KHQ (300.4) Spokane, Wash.
6.30-7 p.m.—Children's hour.

7-7.30 p.m.—Chase Co. newscasts.
8.30-10 p.m.—Organ recital.

10-12 p.m.—Dance orchestra.
10-10.30 p.m.—Post-Intelligencer talk;
produce market reports.

5.40 p.m.—Stock quotations.
6-6.10 p.m.—Time signals, weather
reports.

6.10 p.m.—KJR news items.
6.30-7.30 p.m.—Dinner hour concert.
8-8.30 p.m.—Studio programme.

8.30-10 p.m.—Tugboat Sound studio pro-
gramme.

10 p.m.—Time signals.
KX (300) Oakland, Cal.
7-7.30 p.m.—News broadcast.

KNK (237) Hollywood, Cal.
7 p.m.—Courtney programme.
7.45 p.m.—Health talk.

8 p.m.—Courtney programme.
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10 p.m.—Abe Lyman's Coconut Grove
orchestra.

KOA (222.4) Denver, Colo.
8 p.m.—Auction bridge lesson.

KOIN (319) Portland, Ore.
8-10 p.m.—Studio programme.

KOMO (305.9) Seattle, Wash.
7.45 p.m.—Town topic.

8-9 p.m.—B.E.A. lecture, vocal and
instrumental programme.

9-9.30 p.m.—Popular songs and piano
solos.

KOWW (256) Walla Walla, Wash.
7-7.30 p.m.—Weather, markets, home
helps and recipes.
8 p.m.—Studio.

10-12 p.m.—Orchestra.
KPO (428.3) San Francisco, Cal.
7-7.30 p.m.—Rudy Belger's orchestra.
8 p.m.—Organ recital by Uda Wal-
drop.

9 p.m.—KPO trio and Gypsy and
Marta.

10-11 p.m.—Palace Hotel dance or-
chestra.

KTAB (240) Oakland, Cal.
7-7.30 p.m.—Shopping hour.
8-10 p.m.—Studio programme.

WBZ (232.1) Springfield, Mass.
7.30 p.m.—Lectures.
10.03 p.m.—Orchestra.

WCAG (481.3) Pittsburgh, Pa.
8 p.m.—Dinner concert.
7.45 p.m.—Talks.

8.40 p.m.—Feature.
9 p.m.—WEAF.

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WCAU (277.4) Philadelphia, Pa.
7.30 p.m.—Shellenburg instrumental
trio.

8.15 p.m.—Gurnee Buttermaker.
8.30 p.m.—Recital.

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8.30 p.m.—Robert Fraser, blind Gospel
singer.

8.30 p.m.—Prof. Deolittle.
10.05 p.m.—Chapman Engart Synco-
pators.

8.15 p.m.—Tenor.
10.30 p.m.—Cathy dance orchestra.

WEAF (481.5) New York, N.Y.
8 p.m.—Dinner concert.
10 p.m.—Auction bridge instruction.

10.30 p.m.—Orchestra.
11.30 p.m.—Orchestra.

WEAO (203.8) Columbus, Ohio
7.45 p.m.—Musical.

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7.50 p.m.—Intercollegiate broadcast.

7.45 p.m.—Musical.
WCCO (414.4) Minneapolis-St. Paul,
Minn.

8.30 p.m.—Musical comedy, Garret's
Chocolate Soldiers.

10.15 p.m.—Isaac Walton League.
WFL (491.5) Chicago, Ill.

8 p.m.—Spinning Wheel hour.
10 p.m.—Alamo orchestra.

11.15 p.m.—Entertainers.
WDAF (265.6) Kansas City, Mo.
11.45-1 a.m.—Nighthawk frolic.

WDRB (274.3) Chicago, Ill.
9-11 p.m.—Balkan and Kats Uptown
Theatre musical hits.

WJR (516.8) Detroit, Mich.
8 p.m.—Board of Commerce, Mt.
Clemens, Mich.

8.30 p.m.—Manuel Clear Girls.
WJZ (454.5) New York, N.Y.

7.15 p.m.—Hotel Commodore concert
orchestra.

8 p.m.—Champion Spark Plug hour.
WGY, WNC.

9 p.m.—Pennsylvania Railroad hour.
WGY.

10.45 p.m.—Cook's Southern Hemisphere
Crusade.

10.45 p.m.—George Olsen's Pennsylv-
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